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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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Darebin City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and custodians of the land we now call Darebin and pays respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

Council pays respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in Darebin.

Council recognises, and pays tribute to, the diverse culture, resilience and heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

We acknowledge the leadership of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and the right to selfdetermination in the spirit of mutual understanding and respect.

English

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Punjabi

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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBER, DAREBIN CIVIC CENTRE, 350 HIGH STREET PRESTON ON MONDAY 16 MARCH 2020

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.01PM

WELCOME

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

Ngarrgma Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung guljin gurringanyinu bik wenerop Darebin dharri. Ngarri yana ngarnga bik, baan ba ngarrgu. Gahgook-al Nanggit Bambuth, Yalingbu ba gama-dji.

"I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand here today, the Wurundjeri people, and pay my respects to their Elders, past and present, as well as to Elders from other communities who may be with us today."

1. PRESENT

Councillors

- Cr. Susan Rennie (Mayor) (Chairperson)
- Cr. Susanne Newton (Deputy Mayor)
- Cr. Steph Amir
- Cr. Gaetano Greco
- Cr. Kim Le Cerf
- Cr. Trent McCarthy
- Cr. Julie Williams

Council Officers

Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer

Ingrid Bishop - General Manager Governance and Engagement

Sam Hewett - General Manager Operations and Capital

Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

Kerry McGrath - General Manager Community

Stephen Mahon - Coordinator Governance, Council Business and Civic Services

Lisa Thomas-Bates – Governance Projects Officer

Michelle Martin - Council Business Officer

David Lee - IT Service Desk Officer

2. APOLOGIES

Cr. Tim Laurence

Cr. Lina Messina

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr. Amir disclosed an indirect conflict of interest in Item 8.2 and 10.8 due to a conflicting duty created between her role as a Councillor and her employment as a Federal Public Servant.

Cr. Williams declared an interest only in Item 10.4 due to her daughter being a participant in sporting activities at the Zwar Reserve.

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-010

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 24 February 2020 be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

CARRIED

5. QUESTION AND SUBMISSION TIME

The Chairperson, Cr Rennie, responded to the following questions submitted for Public Question Time.

Diana

The Mayor referenced a petition recently circulated online and a request for staff survey questions being publicly available.

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Rennie

Thank you for your question Diana. The surveys that Council have conducted are an internal matter and, as such, will not be made available to the public.

Keith Coffey, Reservoir

My questions are about the phone call from Mayor Rennie to me 2 weeks ago when I told her the 3 concerns I have.

The dirty toilets in Edwards Street next to the Police Station – I have checked them over the last 2 weeks at different times. They never look any cleaner. The floor is wet and slimy and I have been told by other users that the toilet always has a wet floor and is not cleaned good.

The beautification in Banff Street, Reservoir has been left with weeds, rubbish and the fence is falling down.

The parking bay in Invermay Street was part of the job done in 2019. Some of the weeds in the car park have been sprayed in Invermay Street and one bush is missing. I have reported the mess in the past.

The rubbish that was dumped for 3 weeks outside the Hub in Dole Avenue was removed after your phone call. I don't want to have to be reporting the same things every few months.

When is this going to get attention?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Rennie

Thank you for your question Mr. Coffey. I will arrange for the officers to follow up on these matters.

Pursuant to the Councils *Governance Local Law 2017* the response to a question from the public taken on notice must be recorded in the minutes of the next Ordinary Council meeting.

At the Council meeting held on 24 February 2020, the following questions were taken on notice by the Chairperson, Mayor Rennie.

Geoffrey Richards, Reservoir

Rubbish

Rubbish dumping in East Street, there are two small bin signs and the warning about the fine. Can additional and I think larger signs be placed along East street?

Similarly, in Storey Reserve there are NO Rubbish Warning Signs at all. Can large signs be placed, at least one in the Reserve? At the end of it an L shaped laneway running through to NorthernHay Street, can additional signs be placed there? I think they need to be a bit bigger than the ones that are there now. I know that's visually a problem then.

Tree replacements

Two trees were removed in front of 32 Storey Road on the nature strip and two driveways were installed on that single block development. I understood at least one replacement tree would be placed on the nature strip. There was a tree planted inside the property.

Could we check how two driveways were permitted and will there be a tree replacement on the nature strip and at whose expense?

Other trees were removed in recent times, one from outside 3 East Street and another one in front of 39 Northern Hay Street. Are there replacement plans for these trees?

A written response dated 3 March 2020 was mailed to Mr. Richards, by Rachel Ollivier, General Manager City Sustainability & Strategy.

Thank you for your questions raised at the 24 February Council meeting.

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Council Officers have visited the site and have advised that they will be undertaking a review to determine if additional signage is recommended in this location. Consideration will be given to the significance of the issue in this location, existing signage and the effectiveness of similar signs throughout the municipality. You will be informed separately of the outcome of this work.

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The dual crossovers at this site were approved after consideration of a planning permit application. The development proposed two crossovers to the site (with the existing crossover to the south retained and single new crossover proposed to the north). The dual crossovers were approved taking into consideration such factors as the size of the site frontage and the lack of access to the right of way at the rear of the property. Approval to remove the trees was provided subject to a tree replacement fee being paid, and trees outside 32 Storey Rd, 3 East Street and 39 Northernhay will now be planted as part of this year's planting program (May-October 2020).

• Adrian Quilty, Reservoir

Don Street Reservoir is only a small street, I have requested for some speed humps on the road. It's got that many flats in it now and has become a speed way. We have cars and trucks parked in the street, which causes congestion. Can Council investigate this issue as it makes access difficult for residents?

Another question - the trees in Banff Street were taken down up to Invermay Street. However, from Invermay Street to Don Street, the trees have never been removed. They are hanging over the houses. We have asked the sweepers to attend, but they only come if requested. Can this be addressed?

Officers from Councils Transport Engineering Unit are contacting Mr Quilty to provide the following advice

Don Street had been identified for traffic treatments during the investigation and initial round of consultation on the Cheddar Road Area Place Making Project (LAPM). The draft concept designs for the Cheddar Road LAPM has proposed several treatments along Don Street, which has been endorsed by the Cheddar Road LAPM working group. Following consideration of a report at Council on 27 April on the Cheddar Road LAPM, it is our intention to undertake a second round of consultation in which the wider community will be able to view the draft concept plans with locations of proposed treatments and provide feedback. This engagement is scheduled for May, but is subject to Council endorsement and approval to undertake the consultation.

Following the proposed second round of community engagement, the feedback will be reported to Council with refined concept plans for adoption. Once adopted by Council the treatments can be prioritised and designs can then be developed further. Implementation of changes will be subject to availability of funding, which will be applied for through the annual budget cycle with requests made for relevant grant funding as opportunities arise. The amount of resources required to address the entire precinct will require funding commitments and installations over many years.

Lisa Greenwood, Northcote

Why isn't priority funding being allocated for the Heidelberg Road Redevelopment Corridor in order that this council can work with the City of Yarra and relevant community groups to create a plan that sets building heights and standards, protects our parks and waterways, encourages safe and reliable commuting and avoids choking emissions, When will this funding be forthcoming?

A written response dated 3 March 2020 was emailed to Ms. Greenwood, by Rachel Ollivier, General Manager City Sustainability & Strategy.

Thank you for your question at the Council Meeting on 24th February regarding the timing of the funding for the Heidelberg Road Corridor Built Form Framework project. Darebin has been working collaboratively with Yarra City Council on the research and analysis that forms the strategic background to the project. This has produced the draft Heidelberg Road Background Issues and Discussion Paper, and the draft Heidelberg Road Local Area Plan.

I understand that an officer has been in touch with you and provided information about the timing of the project, confirming that it is funded in the current financial year, with work to investigate further design controls for Heidelberg Road about the commence.

Should you have any further queries regarding this please contact Julia Williams Senior Urban Designer on 8470 8324 or via email at Julia.williams@darebin.vic.gov.au

Marcia Lewis, Northcote

Regarding the Planning Scheme, Heidelberg Road

- 1) Why has Darebin not worked alongside Yarra City Council to provide a collaborative submission, and also not informed or consulted the Darebin Community?
- 2) If Darebin Council is going to pursue this issue on the northern side, is it also going to request an interim heritage and design development overlay?

A written response dated 5 March 2020 was emailed to Ms Lewis, by Rachel Ollivier, General Manager City Sustainability & Strategy.

Thank you for your questions at the Council Meeting on 24th February regarding the collaborative work that has been undertaken with Yarra City Council, and whether interim planning controls will be requested by Darebin City Council.

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I can confirm the answer on the night of the Council meeting and that is that Darebin has been working collaboratively with Yarra City Council, on the research and analysis. In regard to changing the planning scheme, each Council needs to make decisions about this separately.

Since the meeting an officer has been in touch with you and provided information about the process and timing, and they advised that the project is funded in the current financial year, with work to investigate future design controls for Heidelberg Road about to commence. At this stage, we expect to seek community feedback on the project towards the end 2020.

In regard to whether Council will pursue interim planning controls, it was advised this is not the intention this financial year. The northern side of Heidelberg Road is experiencing less development pressure as the majority of the land is zoned for residential or industrial use, rather than commercial use. A future planning scheme amendment would seek to implement permanent planning controls to guide future development.

Should you have any further queries regarding this please contact Julia Williams Senior Urban Designer on 8470 8324 or via email at Julia.williams@darebin.vic.gov.au

• Peter Thomson, Reservoir

- 1) Could a temporary bollard be installed at Victoria Police Station in Reservoir?
- 2) Does Council require an additional Drainage Inspector?

A written response dated 2 March 2020 was mailed to Thomson, by Brett Grambau, Manager City Works

Thank you for your question during Public Question time at the Council meeting held on 24 February 2020. This matter has been forwarded to me to investigate as the Manager responsible for this area of Council.

Maintaining council streets and drainage network throughout the city is a complex task which needs to balance amenity with operational impact, managing the impact of traffic flows by our vehicles throughout the city around.

Council officer's conduct proactive an inspection of council's drainage network within timeframes set out in Council's Road Management Plan. Although council currently have one resource assigned to supervise these works, we do call on other resources during peak periods or storm events.

Council have liaised directly with Senior Sergeant based at the Reservoir Police Station who has indicated, while Victorian Police appreciate the thoughts on this matter with regards to police member safety.

The question by the Senior Sergeant, is more around the likelihood of future incidents and the time in which police will occupy this property. You may be aware, Victorian Police will vacate the Edwards Street premises by the end of June 2020.

The likelihood of any future attacks I would consider "possible", not "probable". This does not mean we should not consider all available options to ensure the safety of our members whilst they are on duty.

There are other tactical options police can consider in order to make the station more secure. These are being considered and employed when possible. I believe the suggestion of bollard installation has merit, however may need to be reserved until such time that a decision is made on the future of the premises.

If you would like to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact Mr Brendan Moore, Acting Coordinator Infrastructure Maintenance and Support on 8470 8888.

6. PETITIONS

6.1 TABLING OF PETITION – BANFF STREET – REMOVAL OF RUBBISH AND RESTORATION OF CAR SPACES

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-011

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That the petition containing 17 signatures stating:

We, the residents, traders and shoppers, call on Darebin Council to remove these rubbish traps in Banff Street and restore our car spaces so we can shop locally without the ugly hazards".

be tabled and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for actioning.

CARRIED

7. URGENT BUSINESS

ADMISSION OF URGENT BUSINESS

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-012

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy SECONDED: Cr. K Le Cerf

That an Urgent Business item relating to Response to COVID 19 Pandemic – Temporary Delegation to Chief Executive Officer be admitted to the agenda and heard at Item 7.1.

CARRIED

7.1 RESPONSE TO COVID 19

Author: Chief Executive Officer

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Councils approval to temporarily increase the financial delegations of the Chief Executive Officer (only) in the event that Council is unable to meet because of circumstances related to the COVID19 pandemic to allow for business continuity

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-013

MOVED: Cr. S Newton SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council:

Temporarily increase the financial delegation of the Chief Executive Officer from \$500,000 to \$1M including awarding a contract for the purchase of goods and services or for the carrying out of works not exceeding the value of \$1M (including GST) to be used only in the event that Council is unable to meet because of circumstances related to the COVID19 pandemic subject to;

- The expenditure being included in budget.
- Compliance with the provisions of the Local Government Act and Council procurement policy and practices.
- Receive a report at the next available Council meeting on the use of the temporary delegations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8.1 2019–20 QUARTER 2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

INCLUDING FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Author: Coordinator Planning and Reporting

Reviewed By: General Manager Governance and Engagement

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is required by the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act) to prepare a Council Plan containing the strategic objectives of Council, strategies for achieving those objectives, and indicators to monitor the achievement of those objectives.

In accordance with Council's commitment to continuous improvement and transparency, attached is an integrated progress report that provides an update on Council Plan actions, the capital works program, the status of Council resolutions and the financial statements.

Included in the report are the outcomes of the mid-year financial review, which assessed the financial performance of Council for the first half of the financial year.

To comply with the Act, the report also includes the following comparisons for the six months ended 31 December 2019:

- Actual and budgeted operating revenues and expenses.
- Actual and budgeted capital revenues and expenses.
- Actual and budgeted movements in the balance sheet.
- Actual and budgeted movements in the cash flow statement.

One submitter addressed the Council in relation to this matter.

Motion

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

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2019–20 Quarter 2 Progress Report at **Appendix A**.
- (2) Notes the year-to-date financial results against budget and endorses the Financial Report six months ended 31 December 2019 (commencing at page 57 in **Appendix A**), including the budget and financial adjustments, the capital works budget adjustments and the adjusted end-of-year forecast results.

Cr Greco sought the support of the Mover and the Seconder to amend the motion as follows:-

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2019–20 Quarter 2 Progress Report at **Appendix A**.
- A. Notes the year-to-date financial results against budget and endorses the Financial Report six months ended 31 December 2019 (commencing at page 57 in Appendix A), including the budget and financial adjustments, the capital works budget adjustments and the adjusted end-of-year forecast results.
- B. Receives a third quarter update on the operational and financial impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

The Mover and Seconder consented to the amendment.

The motion was put and carried.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-014

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2019–20 Quarter 2 Progress Report at Appendix A.
- (2) Notes the year-to-date financial results against budget and endorses the Financial Report six months ended 31 December 2019 (commencing at page 57 in Appendix A), including the budget and financial adjustments, the capital works budget adjustments and the adjusted end-of-year forecast results.
- (3) Receives a third quarter update on the operational and financial impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

6.32pm Cr. Amir declared an indirect conflict of interest in the following Item 8.2 Motion Topics for the 2020 ALGA National General Assembly due to a conflicting duty created between her role as a Councillor and her employment as a Federal Public Servant, and left the Council Chamber prior to Council commencing its determination of the matter.

8.2 MOTION TOPICS FOR THE 2020 ALGA NATIONAL

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Author: Coordinator Governance, Council Business & Civic Services

Reviewed By: General Manager Governance and Engagement

PURPOSE

This report seeks Council's approval to submit motions to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly to be held on 14 to 17 June 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Through the ALGA National General Assembly, Council has an opportunity to advocate for issues and promote initiatives that impact on the livelihood and wellbeing of the Darebin community. The identification of topics and issues to form the basis of motions was discussed at the Councillor Briefing Session held on the 10 March 2020. The following topics were identified:

- Advocacy and support for Refugees and Asylum Seekers to be released from immigration detention into the community
- A call for Federal support for a National Charter of Human Rights.
- Advocacy for Product Stewardship legislation (across a range of products)

In view of the timeframes and the need for Officers to draft the proposed motions and supporting rationale the proposed motions will be circulated prior to the meeting.

Recommendation

That Council determine the final wording of the motions to be submitted to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly to be held on 14 to 17 June 2020.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-015

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council resolve to submit the following motions to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly to be held on 14 to 17 June 2020:-

That the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly:

- A. Support the Australian Human Rights Commission's call for a National Charter of Human Rights.
- B. (1) Calls on the federal government to accept its obligations as a member of the international community and treat asylum seekers with compassion, care and dignity.
 - (2) Release all refugee and asylum seekers being held in immigration detention into the Australian community, so they can live without harm and fear as part of the broader community while applications are being processed.
- C. (1) Broaden and strengthen Australia's product stewardship schemes so that a much wider range of products are covered, including textiles, electronics and consumer goods, which will stop the costs of disposing of goods being born by everyone in the community and instead mean that companies responsible for producing the goods are responsible for their disposal costs.
 - i. Set targets and legislation to phase out the use of new materials for use in products and packaging in Australia (except for essential needs such as some medical uses).
 - ii. Ban the import and production of hard-to-recycle materials (except for essential needs such as some medical uses.
 - iii. Ensure that there are effective standards for the quality of recycled materials used in Australia.
 - iii. Set high minimum recycled content procurement targets in all levels of government.

and;

D. Council formally notes its endorsement of the two motions from the City of Moreland, as contained in the attachment to the report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.44pm Cr Amir returned to the meeting

8.3 PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE AND SALE OF ROAD

REAR 182 TO 186 HIGH STREET AND ADJOINING 1

BUTLER STREET, NORTHCOTE

Author: Property Officer

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To seek approval to commence the statutory procedures for the proposed discontinuance of the right-of-way/road adjoining 182 to 186 High Street and 1 Butler Street Northcote, shown hatched in the statutory plan in **Appendix A** and in orange in the aerial view in **Appendix B** (Road).

In June 2018, Council received an enquiry from the owner of 186 High Street, Northcote, requesting the discontinuance and sale of the 3.05-metre-wide road adjoining their property.

Preliminary investigations into the discontinuance and sale of the section of Road were undertaken. The investigations identified that although the Road remains a road on title, and is listed on Council's Register of Public Roads, it is not constructed, is overgrown with vegetation and does not appear to have been used for access by the adjoining properties for many years, as shown on the aerial photo in **Appendix B**.

All adjoining property owners at 182, 184 and 186 High Street, Northcote have agreed inprinciple to purchase the land adjoining their property at market value, as well as meeting all reasonable costs associated with the statutory process, should Council resolve to discontinue the Road and sell the land. Council will transfer to itself any land that remains unsold, protecting its interests in the land.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-016

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That Council:

- (1) Commences the statutory procedures under section 206 and clause 3 of Schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) to discontinue the road adjoining 182 to 186 High Street and 1 Butler Street, Northcote, shown hatched in the statutory plan in Appendix A.
- (2) Gives public notice under sections 207A and 82A and 223 of the Act of the proposed discontinuance in the appropriate newspapers and on Council's website and in such notice, state that if discontinued, Council proposes to sell the land from the road to the adjoining property owners by private treaty and transfer to itself any land from the discontinued road not sold to the adjoining property owners.

CARRIED

8.4 COUNCIL MEETING GOVERNANCE RULES (MEETING

PROCEDURE AND COMMON SEAL LOCAL LAW NO.1 OF

2020) ADOPTION

Author: Coordinator Governance, Council Business & Civic Services

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council's current local law on meeting procedures, which is the Governance Local Law No. 1 of 2017, was identified as requiring review in late 2018. A review process was undertaken during 2019 culminating in Council in December commencing the statutory process to make a new Local Law to governing its meetings.

Council at its Ordinary Council Meeting on the 16 December 2019 resolved to advertise its intention to make the City of Darebin Council Meeting Governance Rules (Meeting Procedure and Common Seal) Local Law – No.1 of 2020. The relevant advertisements and gazettal notices were published during the week on 21 January 2020.

No submissions or comment has been received in response to the advertising and consultation process undertaken and accordingly this report recommends that Council proceed to 'make' the local law.

Recommendation

That Council:

Having advertised its intention pursuant to Section 119(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) resolve to 'make' the City of Darebin Council Meeting Governance Rules (Meeting Procedure and Common Seal) Local Law – No.1 of 2020 and it commence on the 7 April 2020.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. S Amir SECONDED: Cr. K Le Cerf

That Council:

Having advertised its intention pursuant to Section 119(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) resolve to 'make' the City of Darebin Council Meeting Governance Rules (Meeting Procedure and Common Seal) Local Law – No.1 of 2020 and it commence on the 7 April 2020, with the addition of a further item (j) under item 46 (1) Rejection of Notice of Motion, to read:-

- 46. Reject of Notice of Motion
- (1) The Chief Executive Officer must reject any Notice of Motion (including the written rationale) if they are of the opinion that:-
 - (a) it is the same as, or similar in intent to, a Notice of Motion or other motion

(including lost and lapsed motions) that has been considered by Council in the preceding six 6) months;

- (b) it is defamatory;
- (c) it is objectionable in language or nature;
- (d) it is inconsistent with Councillor Code of Conduct;
- (e) it is vague or unclear in intention;
- (f) it is outside the powers of Council;
- (g) evidence of circulation to other Councillors has not been provided to the Chief Executive Officer, as required by clause 44(4);
- (h) it relates to a matter that can be addressed through the operational service request process;
- (i) does not comply with clause 45, or
- (j) it includes a misleading or false statement.

Amendment

MOVED: Cr. G Greco SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council:

Having advertised its intention pursuant to Section 119(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) resolve to 'make' the City of Darebin Council Meeting Governance Rules (Meeting Procedure and Common Seal) Local Law – No.1 of 2020 and it commence on the 7 April 2020, **subject to the following minor changes:-**

- 1. Clause 47 (10) be changed as follows;
 - **No** Members of the public may make a submission on a Notice of motion when it is presented at an Ordinary Meeting.
- 2. Clause 65 (3) be changed as follows;
 - A recording of a Meeting that is webcast will be made available to the public on Council's website for viewing or listening for a period of **two** four years from the date of the Meeting.
- 3. Clause 68 (1) be changed as follows;
 - Members of the public wishing to make a submission must may register their intention to do so no later than before 12 noon on the day of the Meeting or attend on the day of the Meeting to make their submission.
- 4. Clause 72 (1) be changed as follows;
 - Members of the public wishing to ask a question must may register their question using the Public Question Time form no later than before 12 noon on the day of the meeting or attend on the day of the meeting to ask their question.
- 5. Clause 76 (6) be changed as follows;
 - **No** Members of the public **is permitted to speak to a Petition may** make a submission regarding the Petition when presented at an Ordinary Meeting or ask a question pertaining to the Petition during Public Question Time.

The Mover and Seconder of the motion did not consent to the amendments.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Council Resolution

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy SECONDED: Cr. K Le Cerf

7.03pm That the meeting be adjourned for 5 minutes.

CARRIED

RESUMPTION OF ADJOURNED MEETING

Council Resolution

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. S Newton

7.08pm That the meeting be resumed.

CARRIED

The Mayor advised that the amendments before the meeting would be dealt with separately.

1. Clause 47 (10) be changed as follows;

No Members of the public may make a submission on a Notice of motion when it is presented at an Ordinary Meeting.

The amendment was put and lost.

LOST

2. Clause 65 (3) be changed as follows;

A recording of a Meeting that is webcast will be made available to the public on Council's website for viewing or listening for a period of **two** four years from the date of the Meeting.

The amendment was put and carried.

CARRIED

3. Clause 68 (1) be changed as follows;

Members of the public wishing to make a submission must may register their intention to do so no later than before 12 noon on the day of the Meeting or attend on the day of the Meeting to make their submission.

The amendment was put and carried.

CARRIED

1.4. Clause 72 (1) be changed as follows;

Members of the public wishing to ask a question must may register their question using the Public Question Time form no later than before 12 noon on the day of the meeting or attend on the day of the meeting to ask their question.

The amendment was put and carried.

CARRIED

5. Clause 76 (6) be changed as follows;

No Members of the public **is permitted to speak to a Petition may** make a submission regarding the Petition when presented at an Ordinary Meeting or ask a question pertaining to the Petition during Public Question Time.

The motion was put and lost.

LOST

The substantive motion before Council was put and carried unanimously.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-017

MOVED: Cr. S Amir SECONDED: Cr. K Le Cerf

That Council:

Having advertised its intention pursuant to Section 119(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) resolve to ' make ' the City of Darebin Council Meeting Governance Rules (Meeting Procedure and Common Seal) Local Law – No.1 of 2020 and it commence on the 7 April 2020, with the addition of a further item (j) under item 46 (1) Rejection of Notice of Motion, to read:-

- 46. Reject of Notice of Motion
- (1) The Chief Executive Officer must reject any Notice of Motion (including the written rationale) if they are of the opinion that:-
 - (a) it is the same as, or similar in intent to, a Notice of Motion or other motion (including lost and lapsed motions) that has been considered by Council in the preceding six 6) months;
 - (b) it is defamatory;
 - (c) it is objectionable in language or nature;
 - (d) it is inconsistent with Councillor Code of Conduct;
 - (e) it is vague or unclear in intention;
 - (f) it is outside the powers of Council:
 - (g) evidence of circulation to other Councillors has not been provided to the Chief Executive Officer, as required by clause 44(4);
 - (h) it relates to a matter that can be addressed through the operational service request process;
 - (i) does not comply with clause 45, or
 - (j) it includes a misleading or false statement.

And the following minor changes

2. Clause 65 (3) be changed as follows;

A recording of a Meeting that is webcast will be made available to the public on Council's website for viewing or listening for a period of **two** four years from the date of the Meeting.

3. Clause 68 (1) be changed as follows;

Members of the public wishing to make a submission must may register their intention to do so no later than before 12 noon on the day of the Meeting or attend on the day of the Meeting to make their submission.

4. Clause 72 (1) be changed as follows;

Members of the public wishing to ask a question must may register their question using the Public Question Time form no later than before 12 noon on the day of the meeting or attend on the day of the meeting to ask their question.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5 TOWARDS AN AGE FRIENDLY DAREBIN INTERIM REPORT

Author: Coordinator Department Transition and Assessment

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides Council with a progress report midway into the implementation of the first year of Towards an Age Friendly Darebin.

Council has many reasons to be proud of what has been achieved so far as a result of the significant investment and commitment made to the implementation of Towards an Age Friendly Darebin.

Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Notes the progress through Year 1 toward making Darebin a more Age Friendly City.
- (2) Endorses the Towards an Age Friendly Darebin Progress report (**Appendix A**) for public release.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. S Newton SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

That Council:

- (1) Notes the progress through Year 1 toward making Darebin a more Age Friendly City.
- (2) Endorses the Towards an Age Friendly Darebin Progress report (**Appendix A**) for public release.

Amendment

MOVED: Cr. G Greco SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That an additional point 3 be added to the motion to read;

(3) Given that continuity of care between Council's Commonwealth Home Support Services and Home care Packages is a significant area of concern for residents, Council receives in August 2020 a report scoping the feasibility of Council becoming a registered Home Care Package provider to help shape planning and investment in future in service delivery.

The amendment was not accepted by the Mover and Seconder.

The Mayor ruled against a point of order raised by Cr. Greco.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - DISSENT OF CHAIR

Motion

MOVED: Cr. G Greco SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That the Chairperson ruling be dissented from

7.40pm In accordance with clause 52 of the Governance Local Law, Mayor Rennie left the Chair and Deputy Mayor Newton assumed the Chair.

Cr. Greco was provided the opportunity to state the reasons for his dissent and the Mayor provided a reply.

The motion was put and lost.

LOST

7.44pm Mayor Rennie resumed the Chair.

The Amendment was put and lost.

LOST

The motion before the Council and was put and carried.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-018

MOVED: Cr. S Newton SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

That Council:

(1) Notes the progress through Year 1 toward making Darebin a more Age Friendly City.

(2) Endorses the Towards an Age Friendly Darebin Progress report (**Appendix A**) for public release.

CARRIED

8.6 OUTDOOR SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE FRAMEWORK

Author: Project Manager

Reviewed By: General Manager Community

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This paper puts forward the draft Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework for consideration by Council for the final round of community consultation. The draft Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework will inform infrastructure investment, development and renewal of Council's outdoor sports facilities for the next 10 years. This Framework will replace the current Outdoor Sports Venues Infrastructure Policy 2012 and provides an evidence base to inform future decision making.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-019

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

That Council endorse the draft Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework for the purpose of community consultation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.7 INTENTION TO DECLARE A SPECIAL CHARGE SOLAR

SAVER

Author: Coordinator Solar Saver

Commercial Solar Officer

Reviewed By: Manager Climate Emergency and Sustainable Transport

PURPOSE

To recommend that Council gives notice of its intent to declare a Special Charge scheme, for which would provide for special charges for both the third batch of the non-residential Solar Saver program and for the first batch of this year's residential solar Saver program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Solar Saver program is a key action of Council's Climate Emergency Plan. The proposed Special Charge scheme would cover:

- 10 non-residential properties, which would add 139kW of solar to Darebin.
- 11 residential properties (for a total of 50.16kW solar). This is the first batch of residential Special Charges for the 2020 round of the Solar Saver program.

The value of the proposed Special Charge scheme is:

- \$187,772.85 (\$276,890.75 gross including GST and pre STC claim) for the non-residential installations and
- \$59,614.45 (\$89,134.60 gross including GST and pre STC claim) for the residential installations.

These costs will be paid back to Council through the Special Charge scheme over 10 years. No interest is charged. Annual repayments are more than offset by participants' savings on their energy bills, and therefore the program provides financial and environmental benefits to participants.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-020

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy SECONDED: Cr. K Le Cerf

That Council:

- 1) Council hereby gives notice of its intention to declare a Special Charge in accordance with section 163 of the *Local Government Act 1989 (Act)* as follows:
 - (a) Council declares a Special Charge for the period commencing on the day on which Council issues a notice levying payment of the special rate and concluding on the tenth anniversary of that day.
 - (b) We declare this Special Charge for the purpose of defraying any expense incurred by Council in relation to the provision of solar energy systems on residential properties participating in the Solar Saver scheme, which:

- i. Council considers is or will be a special benefit to those persons or organisations required to pay the Special Charge (and who are described in succeeding parts of this resolution); and
- ii. Arises out of Council's functions of advocating and promoting proposals which are in the best interests of the community and ensuring the peace, order and good government of Council's municipal district.

(c) The total:

- i. Costs of performing the function described in paragraph 1(b) of this resolution are: \$187,772.85 (non-residential) and \$59,614.45 (residential).
- ii. Amount for the Special Charge to be levied is \$187,772.85 (non-residential) and \$59,614.45 (residential), or such other amount as is lawfully levied as a consequence of this resolution
- (d) We declare the Special Charge in relation to all rateable land described in the table included as Appendix B to this report, in the amount specified in the table as applying to each piece of rateable land.
- (e) Ownership of any land described in paragraph 1(d) of this resolution is the basis of the Special Charge.
- (f) The Special Charge will be assessed and levied as follows:
 - i. Each Special Charge is calculated by reference to the size of the solar energy system being installed and the particular costs of installation at each property participating in the Solar Saver scheme, in respect of which an Owner Agreement has been executed, totalling \$187,772.85 (non-residential) and \$59,614.45 (residential), being the total cost of the scheme to Council:
 - ii. The Special Charge will be levied each year for a period of 10 years.
- (g) Having regard to the preceding paragraphs of this resolution and subject to section 166(1) of the Act, it is recorded that the owners of the land described in paragraph 1(d) of this resolution will, subject to a further resolution of Council, pay the Special Charge in the amount set out in paragraph 1(f) of this resolution in the following manner:
 - i. Payment annually by a lump sum on or before one month following the issue by Council of a notice levying payment under section 163(4) of the Act; or
 - ii. Payment annually by four instalments to be paid by the dates which are fixed by Council in a notice levying payment under section 163(4) of the Act.
- 2) Council considers that there will be a special benefit to the persons or organisations required to pay the Special Charge because there will be a benefit to those persons or organisations that is over and above, or greater than, the benefit that is available to persons or organisations who are not subject to the proposed Special Charge, as a result of the expenditure proposed by the Special Charge, in that the properties will have the benefit of a solar energy system being installed.

- 3) For the purposes of having determined the total amount of the Special Charge to be levied:
 - (a) Council considers and formally records that only those rateable properties included in the Solar Saver scheme as proposed will derive a special benefit from the imposition of the Special Charge, and there are no community benefits to be paid by Council; and
 - (b) Formally determines for the purposes of section 163(2) (a), (2A) and (2B) of the Act that the estimated proportion of the total benefits of the Special Charge to which the performance of the function or the exercise of the power relates (including all special benefits and community benefits) that will accrue as special benefits to the persons who are liable to pay the Special Charge is 100%.
- 4) Council will give public notice in the *Northcote Leader* and *Preston Leader* newspapers of Council's intention to declare, at its ordinary meeting to be held on 16 December 2019, the Special Charge in the form set out above.
- 5) Council will send separate letters, enclosing a copy of: this resolution; **Appendix A** to this report; and the public notice referred to in Paragraph 4 of this resolution, to the owners of the properties included in the scheme, advising of Council's intention to levy the Special Charge, the amount for which the property owner will be liable, the basis of calculation of the Special Charge, and notification that submissions and/or objections in relation to the proposal will be considered by Council in accordance with sections 163A, 163B and 223 of the Act.
- 6) Council will convene a meeting of the Hearing of Submissions Committee, at a date and time to be fixed, to hear persons or organisations who, in their written submissions made under section 223 of the Act, advise that they wish to appear in person, or to be represented by a person specified in the submission, at a meeting in support of their submission.
- 7) Council authorises the Manager Climate Emergency and Sustainable Transport to carry out any and all other administrative procedures necessary to enable Council to carry out its functions under sections 163A, 163(1A), (1B) and (1C), 163B and 223 of the Act.

CARRIED

8.8 SUPPLY OF ENERGY CONTRACTS FOR COUNCIL

OPERATIONS

Author: Energy Project Officer

Reviewed By: General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

All of Council's current retail energy contracts are due to expire on June 30th, 2020. Cumulatively, these are at an annual cost of approximately \$2,030,000 million inclusive of GST.

For electricity, Council is currently developing a long-term contract arrangement for electricity supplies via a retail power purchase agreement with 47 other Councils, called the Local Government Power Purchase Agreement (LG PPA) Project. While the LG PPA Project is progressing, some unexpected delays have been experienced in releasing the tender to market. As a result, the LG PPA Project will not commence from July 1st, 2020, when Council's current electricity contracts expire.

It is therefore recommended that Council secures an interim contract arrangement for electricity supplies, otherwise it will revert to standard retail rates and likely to experience significantly higher costs. It is recommended that an interim contract arrangement be put in place for 12 months.

For natural gas accounts no renewable energy supplies exist, therefore continuing with a standard, fixed term retail supply agreement is recommended at this stage. Based on the options available and the competitive pricing, it is proposed that Council contracts its energy contracts via the Victorian Government's State Purchasing Contract.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-021

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That Council:

- (1) Approves Council to access the Victorian State Purchasing Contract for electricity and natural gas supplies for all market types.
- (2) Awards contract number CT202015 to Red Energy Pty Ltd for supplies for Large Market accounts and Streetlighting accounts, for the period 1st July 2020 to 30th June 2021.
- (3) Awards contract number CT202015 to AGL Sales Pty Ltd for supplies for Small Market accounts, for the period 1st July 2020 to 31st December 2021.
- (4) Awards contract number CT202015to Red Energy Pty Ltd for supplies for Large Market Gas accounts for the period 1st July 2020 to 30th September 2023.
- (5) Awards contract number CT202015 to Origin Energy for supplies for Small Market Gas accounts for the period 1st July 2020 to 31st December 2021.

- (6) Approves the offsetting of the greenhouse gas emissions from Council electricity supplies, and calls for a further report to Council on carbon offsetting and carbon neutrality standards and options.
- (7) Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to execute all documentation required to access these contracts.

CARRIED

8.9 MULTI-SPORTS STADIUM UPDATE

Author: Project Manager

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The design for the Multi-Sports Stadium (MSS) has progressed to the detailed design phase and officers are now preparing for the construction tender.

The project quantity surveyor has prepared the cost plan for the construction of the MSS facility and the design is estimated to be within budget.

Legal and project management advice has been sought on the available procurement models for the construction contract. A design and construct procurement model has been selected for the construction of the MSS facility as it allows Council to transfer risks to the construction contractor and there are more opportunities to achieve time efficiencies with this procurement model.

The community engagement was completed in November 2019 and internal Council stakeholder engagement has been ongoing throughout the design process. The designs have been developed in accordance with the design brief and feedback provided by the various stakeholders.

It is recommended that Council proceeds with the construction tender phase with the next Council report to seek expenditure approval to proceed with the construction contract.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-022

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy SECONDED: Cr. K Le Cerf

That Council endorse a design and construct procurement process for the construction of the for the Multi-Sports Stadium and that appropriately experienced contractors be invited to tender to construct the project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. CONSIDERATION OF RESPONSES TO PETITIONS, NOTICES OF MOTION AND GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

10.1 SPORTING CLUBS WITH LIQUOR LICENCES

Councillor: Julie WILLIAMS

NoM No.: 462

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council:

- (1) Requests Council Officers prepare a report identifying which sporting clubs have liquor licences that include regulations and compliance that benefit of the community.
- (2) Identifies the number of sporting clubs that have liquor licences.
- (3) Identifies any reports or incidents that have occurred.
- (4) Confirms the hours they are operating and what benefit it is having to the community.

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

Notice Given to Councillors 10 March 2020

Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-023

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

That Council:

- (1) Requests Council Officers prepare a report identifying which sporting clubs have liquor licences that include regulations and compliance that benefit of the community.
- (2) Identifies the number of sporting clubs that have liquor licences.
- (3) Identifies any reports or incidents that have occurred.
- (4) Confirms the hours they are operating and what benefit it is having to the community.

CARRIED

10.2 ANIMAL SHELTER

Councillor: Julie WILLIAMS

NoM No.: 463

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council:

- (1) Requests that Officers prepare a report regarding Council's contract with the RSPCA, rescue groups and Councils commitment to a No kill policy.
- (2) Identifies the number of animals that have been euthanised
- (3) Identifies if all or parts of the contract between RSPCA and Council is confidential
- (4) Compares how many animals the rescue group received 4 years ago prior to the contract with RSPCA and how many animals the rescue groups receive today
- (5) Identifies why there has been an increase of 40% of animals which are being euthanised compared to that of 5 years ago when it was less than 10% of animals euthanised.

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

Notice Given to Councillors 10 March 2020

Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Motion

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council:

- (1) Requests that Officers prepare a report regarding Council's contract with the RSPCA, rescue groups and Councils commitment to a No kill policy.
- (2) Identifies the number of animals that have been euthanised
- (3) Identifies if all or parts of the contract between RSPCA and Council is confidential
- (4) Compares how many animals the rescue group received 4 years ago prior to the contract with RSPCA and how many animals the rescue groups receive today
- (5) Identifies why there has been an increase of 40% of animals which are being euthanised compared to that of 5 years ago when it was less than 10% of animals euthanised.

Amendment

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy

SECONDED: -

That Council:

Requests that Council Officers prepare a report for Council and update on our contract with RSPCA, rescue groups and maintaining Council's policy of no kill of healthy animals.

- a) Identify the number of animals that have been euthanised.
- b) Identify if all or parts of the contract between RSPCA and Council is confidential.
- c) Compare how many animals did rescue groups receive 4 years ago prior to the contract with RSPCA and how many animals do rescue groups receive today.
- d) Identify any trends in regard to euthanasia rates compared to that of 5 years ago.

The Mover and Seconder consented to the amendment.

The amendment became the motion before the Council, was put and carried.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-024

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council:

Requests that Council Officers prepare a report for Council and update on our contract with RSPCA, rescue groups and maintaining Council's policy of no kill of healthy animals.

- a) Identify the number of animals that have been euthanised.
- b) Identify if all or parts of the contract between RSPCA and Council is confidential.
- c) Compare how many animals did rescue groups receive 4 years ago prior to the contract with RSPCA and how many animals do rescue groups receive today.
- d) Identify any trends in regard to euthanasia rates compared to that of 5 years ago.

CARRIED

10.3 MACEDONIAN SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Councillor: Julie WILLIAMS

NoM No.: 464

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council:

- (1) Request that Council Officers prepare a report for the 23 March 2020 Councillor Briefing regarding the refurbishment that has been covered in the current budget under the building renewal program for the Macedonian Senior Citizens club.
- (2) Identifying the extent of the refurbishment upgrades.
- (3) Identifying what groups are current users of this site, and any other groups that will benefit after the upgrades.
- (4) Identifying the hours of operation and what the benefit is to the community, especially the elderly.

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

Notice Given to Councillors 10 March 2020

Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Motion

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council:

- (1) Request that Council Officers prepare a report for the 23 March 2020 Councillor Briefing regarding the refurbishment that has been covered in the current budget under the building renewal program for the Macedonian Senior Citizens club.
- (2) Identifying the extent of the refurbishment upgrades.
- (3) Identifying what groups are current users of this site, and any other groups that will benefit after the upgrades.
- (4) Identifying the hours of operation and what the benefit is to the community, especially the elderly.

The motion was put and lost.

LOST

10.4 ZWAR SCHEMATIC DESIGN

Councillor: Julie WILLIAMS

NoM No.: 465

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council requests to bring forward the Schematic Design to be included in the 2020 budget for Zwar Reserve."

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

Notice Given to Councillors 10 March 2020

Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Motion

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council requests to bring forward the Schematic Design to be included in the 2020 budget for Zwar Reserve.

The motion was put and lost.

LOST

10.5 PRESTON MARKET 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Councillor: Gaetano GRECO

NoM No.: 466

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council:

- (1) Notes that the iconic Preston Market will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in August this year;
- (2) Establishes a Council working group charged with the task of planning celebratory events to mark the local significance of Preston Market's 50 years of trading and providing fresh produce to residents of Darebin and beyond;
- (3) Invites representatives of Preston Market management, Preston Central, Save our Preston Market Group, Market traders, DECC, DADA and other relevant community stakeholders to be part of the Council working group.

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

Notice Given to Councillors 10 March 2020

Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Motion

MOVED: Cr. G Greco SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council:

- (1) Notes that the iconic Preston Market will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in August this year;
- (2) Establishes a Council working group charged with the task of planning celebratory events to mark the local significance of Preston Market's 50 years of trading and providing fresh produce to residents of Darebin and beyond;
- (3) Invites representatives of Preston Market management, Preston Central, Save our Preston Market Group, Market traders, DECC, DADA and other relevant community stakeholders to be part of the Council working group.

Amendment

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

That Council:

- (1) Notes that the iconic Preston Market will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in August this year;
- (2) Notes that Preston Market management has established a working group to plan celebrations and is working with Preston Central traders and Council;
- (3) Notes that Council is focused on supporting the traders and is planning to support and complement the work and plans of the businesses;
- (4) Encourages Preston Market management to invite community stakeholders to contribute to the planning and promotion of celebrations including Save Our Preston Market Group, Market traders, DECC, DADA and other relevant \ community stakeholders.

The Mover and Seconder did not consent to the amendment.

The amendment was put and carried.

Cr Greco and Cr Williams requested the Minutes reflect that they voted against the amendment.

The amendment became the motion before the Council, was put and carried.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-025

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

That Council:

- (1) Notes that the iconic Preston Market will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in August this year;
- (2) Notes that Preston Market management has established a working group to plan celebrations and is working with Preston Central traders and Council;
- (3) Notes that Council is focused on supporting the traders and is planning to support and complement the work and plans of the businesses;
- (4) Encourages Preston Market management to invite community stakeholders to contribute to the planning and promotion of celebrations including Save Our Preston Market Group, Market traders, DECC, DADA and other relevant community stakeholders.

CARRIED

10.6 EDWARDES LAKE TOXICITY AND BOAT HOUSE

DEVELOPMENT

Councillor: Gaetano GRECO

NoM No.: 467

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council receives a Council report in April on the status of the redevelopment of the Edwardes Lake Boat House and the toxicity of the water quality at Edwardes Lake. The report should also include address how the Boat House can be developed in a timely fashion and how Council can improve the water quality of the lake.

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

Notice Given to Councillors 10 March 2020

Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Motion

MOVED: Cr. G Greco SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council receives a Council report in April on the status of the redevelopment of the Edwardes Lake Boat House and the toxicity of the water quality at Edwardes Lake. The report should also include address how the Boat House can be developed in a timely fashion and how Council can improve the water quality of the lake.

The motion was put and lost.

LOST

9.03pm Cr McCarthy left the Council Chamber.

9.05pm Cr McCarthy returned to the Council Chamber.

10.7 GARDENING SERVICE FOR CONCESSION CARD

HOLDERS ELIGIBLE FOR CARERS ASSISTANCE

Councillor: Gaetano GRECO

NoM No.: 468

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council receives a Council report in May 2020 on providing a gardening service for concession card holders who are eligible for carer's assistance from Centrelink.

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

Notice Given to Councillors 10 March 2020

Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Motion

MOVED: Cr. G Greco SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council receives a Council report in May 2020 on providing a gardening service for concession card holders who are eligible for carer's assistance from Centrelink.

The motion was put and lost.

LOST

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

9.09pm Cr. Amir declared an indirect conflict of interest in the following Item 10.8 Baha'i Community Concerns due to a conflicting duty created between her role as a Councillor and her employment as a Federal Public Servant and left the Council Chamber prior to Council commencing its determination of the matter.

10.8 BAHA'I COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Councillor: Gaetano GRECO

NoM No.: 469

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 16 March 2020, it is my intention to move:

That Council:

- (1) Expresses solidarity with the Baha'i community in the City of Darebin and expresses its support for people of the Baha'i faith in their period of anxiety and fear for the safety of their friends and family in light of the Iranian Government administrative decision to deny the Baha'i community legal status.
- (2) Writes to the Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs requesting that she make appropriate representations to defend the legal status of Baha'i people on human rights grounds."

Notice Received: 3 March 2020

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Date of Meeting: 16 March 2020

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-026

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

That Council:

- (1) Expresses solidarity with the Baha'i community in the City of Darebin and expresses its support for people of the Baha'i faith in their period of anxiety and fear for the safety of their friends and family in light of the Iranian Government administrative decision to deny the Baha'i community legal status.
- (2) Writes to the Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs requesting that she make appropriate representations to defend the legal status of Baha'i people on human rights grounds.

CARRIED

9.14pm Cr Amir returned to the Council Chamber.

11. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Nil

12. RECORDS OF ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS

12.1 ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS HELD

An Assembly of Councillors is defined in section 3 of the *Local Government Act 1989* to include Advisory Committees of Council if at least one Councillor is present or, a planned or scheduled meeting attended by at least half of the Councillors and one Council Officer that considers matters intended or likely to be the subject of a Council decision.

Written records of Assemblies of Councillors must be kept and include the names of all Councillors and members of Council staff attending, the matters considered, any conflict of interest disclosures made by a Councillor attending, and whether a Councillor who has disclosed a conflict of interest leaves the assembly.

Pursuant to section 80A (2) of the Act, these records must be, as soon as practicable, reported at an ordinary meeting of the Council and incorporated in the minutes of that meeting.

An Assembly of Councillors record was kept for:

- Darebin Nature Trust Meeting #15 18 February 2020
- Councillor Briefing 2 March 2020
- Darebin Disability Advisory Committee 2 March 2020
- Councillor Briefing 10 March 2020

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-027

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

That the record of the Assembly of Councillors held on 18 February and 2 and 10 March 2020 and attached as **Appendix A** to this report, be noted and incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

CARRIED

13. REPORTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 20-028

MOVED: Cr. J Williams SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

That Council note the Reports by Mayor and Councillors.

CARRIED

14. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL

15. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9.16pm.

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