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MINUTES OF THE HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Thursday 31 May 2018

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS
COMMITTEE OF THE DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT DAREBIN
CIVIC CENTRE,
350 HIGH STREET PRESTON ON THURSDAY 31 MAY 2018**

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.20PM

WELCOME

The Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf opened the meeting with the following statement:

“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 the Elders, past and present, as well as to Elders from other communities who may be with us today.”

1. PRESENT

Councillors

Cr. Kim Le Cerf (Mayor) (Chairperson)

Cr. Gaetano Greco

Cr. Steph Amir

Cr. Tim Laurence

Cr. Trent McCarthy

Cr. Lina Messina (Deputy Mayor)

Cr. Susanne Newton

Cr. Susan Rennie

Cr. Julie Williams

Council Officers

Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer

Ingrid Bishop - General Manager Governance and Engagement

Cathy Henderson - General Manager Community

Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

Vito Albicini - General Manager Operations and Capital

Melinda Viksne - Manager Governance and Performance

Allan Cochrane - Chief Financial Officer

Kyle D' Souza - Business Support Accountant

Gerard Daly - IT Support Engineer

Katia Croce - Coordinator Council Business

Karlee Ferrante - Council Business Officer

2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Decision

MOVED: Cr. J Williams**SECONDED: Cr. L Messina**

That the Minutes of the Hearing of Submissions Committee Meeting held on 15 June 2017 be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

CARRIED

5. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

5.1 PROPOSED BUDGET 2018/2019

Author: Finance Manager

Reviewed By: General Manager Governance and Engagement

PURPOSE

To seek Council's consideration of the submissions made on the Proposed 2018/19 Budget.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At its meeting on 9 April 2018, Council resolved to give public notice of its intention to adopt the proposed 2018/19 Budget at a meeting of Council to be held on 12 June 2018.

Prior to adopting the Budget in its final form, Council placed the Proposed Budget on public display inviting submissions by Friday, 11 May 2018 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 31 May 2018.

One hundred and fifty-seven submissions were received by the closing date for submissions including twenty-nine submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission. An additional eleven submissions were received after 11 May 2018.

The community submissions in total are requesting an estimated \$9.68 million (\$6.26 million for capital works projects and \$3.42 million for operating projects).

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 12 June 2018.

The following people spoke in support of their written submissions and were thanked by the Chairperson, Cr. Le Cerf:

- Elizabeth Young on behalf of Andy Gray – (submission #59)
- Karin Derkley – (submission #9.14)
- Allisha Oxley – (submission #11.1)
- Ann Ritchie – (submission #17.0)
- Carina Watson – (submission #24.21)
- Vanessa Reynolds on behalf of Annabelle Morgan – (submission #25.0)
- Wendy Miller – (submission #27.0)
- David Schulze on behalf of Anne Laver – (submission #38.0)
- Christopher Dureau – (submission #42.0)
- Natalie Jacobson on behalf of Hutch Hussein – (submission #46.0)

Cr. Laurence disclosed a conflict of interest in the following submission classifying the type of interest as an indirect interest due to close association, as his brother lives near Mayer Park.

Cr. Laurence left the meeting at 7.24pm

- Andrew Skoullou – (submission #47.0)

Cr. Laurence returned to the meeting at the conclusion of the submission at 7.30pm.

- Elliot Spring on behalf of Murray Furlong – (submission #48.0)
- Keith Coffey – (submission #49.0)
- Bo Li – (submissions #53.0 and #54.0)
- Sandro Cirianni on behalf of Graham Mills – (submission #56.0)
- Caterina Mascioli – (submission #57.0 and 61.0)
- Nalliah Suriyakumaran – (submission #58.0)
- David Colautti – (submission #63.0)
- Frances Trimboli – (submission #65.0)

An apology was lodged for Mr. Richard Everingham – (submission #67.0)

- Mr. Richard Everingham was an apology – (submission #67.0)
- Prasad S Bhattacharya – (submission #68.0)
- Ruth Leonards – (submission #69.1)
- Nick Rose – (submission #70.0)
- Nadine Richings – (submission #73.0)
- Michael Cooke – (submission #74.0)
- Stephen Costello – (submission #11.0)
- Richard Muggleton – (submission #76.0)

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Committee Decision

MOVED: Cr. G Greco
SECONDED: Cr. L Messina

That the meeting be extended for a further 30 minutes.

CARRIED

- Christin Down on behalf of Rose Nechwatal – (submission #15.0)

Recommendation

That the Committee:

- (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 12 June 2018 as part of Council's deliberations' in the adoption of the 2018/19 Budget.

Committee Decision

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

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the written and verbal submissions.
- (2) Thanks all submitters and presenters for addressing the Committee in support of their written responses
- (3) Provides a report to the Council Meeting to be held on 12 June 2018 as part of Council's deliberations' in the adoption of the 2018/19 Budget on its proceedings, prepared by Officers on its behalf and which includes a summary of the submissions received and heard.

CARRIED

Katia Croce, Coordinator Council Business temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 6.24pm and returned at 6.26pm.

Karlee Ferrante, Council Business Officer temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 6.57pm and returned at 6.59pm

Cr McCarthy temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 7.04pm and returned at 7.08pm.

Cr. Rennie temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 7.44pm and returned at 7.47pm.

Sue Wilkinson, Chief Executive Officer temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 7.55pm and returned at 8.10pm.

Cr. Amir temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 8.03pm and returned at 8.10pm.

Cr. Messina temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 8.16pm and returned at 8.23pm.

Cr. Williams left the meeting during submissions at 8.29pm.

Sue Wilkinson, Chief Executive Officer temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 8.40pm and returned at 8.50pm.

Ingrid Bishop, General Manager Governance and Engagement left the meeting during submissions at 8.44pm.

Karlee Ferrante, Council Business Officer temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 8.45pm and returned at 8.45pm.

Katia Croce, Coordinator Council Business temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 9.10pm and returned at 9.12pm.

Cr. Rennie temporarily left the meeting during submissions at 9.15pm and returned at 9.17pm.

6. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10.00pm.