



MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

MAROONDAH CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY

16 MAY 2022

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in the Council Chamber Realm, on Monday 16 May 2022 at 7:30pm.

PRESENT

Cr Mike Symon (Mayor)	Jubilee Ward
Cr Rob Steane (Deputy Mayor)	Yarrunga Ward
Cr Marijke Graham	Barangeong Ward
Cr Tony Dib, OAM JP	Bungalook Ward
Cr Paul Macdonald	Tarralla Ward
Cr Kylie Spears	Wombolano Ward
Cr Linda Hancock	Wonga Ward
Steve Kozlowski	Chief Executive Officer
Marianne Di Giallonardo	Director Corporate Services
Phil Turner	Director Strategy & Community
Adam Todorov	Director Operations, Assets & Leisure
Andrew Fuaux	Director Development & Amenity
Chloe Messerle	Governance Officer

The Chief Executive Officer read the following Statement of Recording -

"Please note that this meeting is being recorded and streamed live on the internet. All care is taken to maintain your privacy; however, as a visitor in the public gallery, your presence may be recorded."

The prayer was read by Rev. John Webster, St John the Divine Anglican Church, Croydon.

The Acknowledgement of Country was read by the Mayor.

The Mayor, Cr Symon acknowledged Reconciliation Week which is held between the 27 May to the 3 June 2022. The 2022 theme is *'Be Brave. Make Change.'*

Cr Symon also acknowledged IDAHOBIT Day which is the International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia and Transphobia held on Monday 17 May 2022.

APOLOGIES

Cr Suzy Stojanovic	McAlpin Ward
Cr Tasa Damante	Wicklows Ward

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED CR STEANE, SECONDED CR MACDONALD 40/22

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 11 APRIL 2022 BE CONFIRMED.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

OFFICERS' REPORTS**DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES**

ATTENDANCE REPORT ITEM 1

MOVED CR SPEARS, SECONDED CR MACDONALD 41/22

THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES THE REPORTS AS PRESENTED BY COUNCILLORS

CARRIED

Councillors who spoke to their report - Crs Symon, Steane, Graham, Macdonald, Spears and Hancock

Cr Symon (Mayor)

- 12/04 Mayoral Video Filming
- 12/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Park Oval
- 12/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - North Ringwood Pavilion
- 12/04 Maroondah Business Group Networking Function
- 13/04 Karralyka Site Visit
- 20/04 Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
- 22/04 Municipal Association of Victoria Rules Review Directions Paper Roundtable
- 22/04 Eastern Regional Group of Council's Meeting
- 23/04 Volleyball ANZAC Round
- 24/04 Ringwood RSL ANZAC Day March
- 24/04 Croydon RSL ANZAC Day Service
- 24/04 Croydon RSL Book Launch '*WW2 Veterans from Croydon and District*'
- 25/04 Ringwood RSL ANZAC Dawn Service
- 27/04 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
- 28/04 Croydon U3A Annual General Meeting
- 28/04 Mayoral Art Exhibition Opening
- 29/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Ringwood Central Tennis Club
- 30/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Maroondah Nets
- 03/05 Mayoral Video Filming

03/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - East Ringwood Tennis Club
03/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Burnt Bridge Tennis Club
03/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Parkwood Tennis Club
03/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - North Ringwood Tennis Club
04/05	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
04/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - East Croydon and Kilsyth Tennis Club
04/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Tennis Club
04/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Gracedale Tennis Club
04/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Heathmont Tennis Club
05/05	Deakin Electorate with the candidate for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Park Lighting
16/05	Reimaging Tarralla Creek Works Completion Event

Cr Steane (Deputy Mayor)

12/04	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Park Oval
12/04	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - North Ringwood Pavilion
12/04	Maroondah Business Group Networking Function
14/04	Yarrunga Community Centre Annual General Meeting
20/04	Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
24/04	Croydon RSL ANZAC Day Service
24/04	Croydon RSL Book Launch <i>'WW2 Veterans from Croydon and District'</i>
25/04	Croydon RSL Dawn Service
27/04	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
28/04	Mayoral Art Exhibition Opening
30/04	Comedy Festival Roadshow
04/05	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
05/05	Eastern FM Broadcast
10/05	Maroondah Business Group Networking Function
12/05	Planning Consultation Meeting: 10 Sandhurst Grove, Warranwood

Cr Graham

20/04	Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
20/04	Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) Australian Institute of Company Directors Faculty Induction Session
21/04	Eastern Transport Coalition (ETC) Meeting
22/04	Group Coaching Session with Ms Ruth McGowan
25/04	Croydon RSL Dawn Service
27/04	Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) Introductory Call
27/04	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
29/04	Australian Institute of Company Directors Course - Session One

01/05	City Nature Challenge - Focusing on water bugs
04/05	Communities of Wellbeing Committee Meeting
06/05	Australian Institute of Company Directors Course - Session Two
13/05	Australian Institute of Company Directors Course - Session Three
15/05	Tarralla Creek Celebrate Maroondah Event
16/05	Reimagining Tarralla Creek Works Completion Event

Cr Dib OAM JP

15/04	Volleyball Good Friday Appeal Tournament
20/04	Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
24/04	Croydon RSL ANZAC Day Service
24/04	Croydon RSL Book Launch ' <i>WW2 Veterans from Croydon and District</i> '
25/04	Croydon RSL Dawn Service
27/04	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
30/04	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Maroondah Nets
03/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - East Ringwood Tennis Club
16/05	Reimagining Tarralla Creek Works Completion Event

Cr Stojanovic

20/04	Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
28/04	Mayoral Art Exhibition Opening
29/04	Victorian Greenhouse Alliance National Conference
02/05	City Nature Challenges
03/05	3D Arts Company presents 3D Youth Theatre Playback Experience
04/05	Eastern Elder Abuse Network (EEAN) Primary Prevention Meeting
10/05	Maroondah Environment Advisory Committee (MEAC) Meeting
11/05	The Journey to Net Zero for Europe Webinar
12/05	Our Watch and ALGA webinar - Leading the prevention of violence against women in Local Government webinar

Cr Macdonald

14/04	Yarra Community Centre Annual General Meeting
15/04	Volleyball Good Friday Appeal Tournament
20/04	Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
21/04	Eastern Affordable Housing Alliance (EAHA) Executive Committee Meeting
24/04	Ringwood RSL ANZAC Day March
24/04	Croydon RSL ANZAC Day Service
25/04	Croydon RSL Dawn Service
11/05	Sharing Hope Business Event
15/05	Tarralla Creek Celebrate Maroondah Event
16/05	Reimagining Tarralla Creek Works Completion Event

Cr Damante

- 12/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Park Oval
- 25/04 Croydon RSL Dawn Service
- 04/05 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - East Croydon and Kilsyth Tennis Club
- 04/05 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Tennis Club
- 05/05 Deakin Electorate with the candidate for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Park Lighting
- 16/05 Reimagining Tarralla Creek Works Completion Event

Cr Spears

- 12/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Croydon Park Oval
- 14/04 Yarrunga Community Centre Annual General Meeting
- 20/04 Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
- 20/04 Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) Australian Institute of Company Directors Faculty Induction Session
- 22/04 ANZAC Parker Cup Game - Heathmont Football Club vs Ringwood Football Club
- 24/04 Ringwood RSL ANZAC Day March
- 24/04 Croydon RSL ANZAC Day Service
- 24/04 Croydon RSL Book Launch *'WW2 Veterans from Croydon and District'*
- 25/04 Ringwood RSL ANZAC Day Dawn Service
- 26/04 Planning Consultation Meeting: 177-179 Bedford Road, Ringwood East
- 27/04 Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) of Victoria Interim Meeting
- 27/04 Australian Institute of Company Directors Introductory Call
- 27/04 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
- 29/04 Australian Institute of Company Directors Course - Session One
- 29/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Ringwood Central Tennis Club
- 30/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - Maroondah Nets
- 06/05 Australian Institute of Company Directors Course - Session Two

Cr Hancock

- 12/04 Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - North Ringwood Pavilion
- 12/04 Maroondah Business Group Networking Function
- 13/04 Heatherdale Community Action Group Meeting
- 20/04 Formal Opening - McAlpin Reserve Park Revitalisation
- 24/04 Ringwood RSL ANZAC Day March
- 24/04 Croydon RSL Book Launch *'WW2 Veterans from Croydon and District'*
- 25/04 Ringwood RSL ANZAC Day Dawn Service
- 27/04 Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
- 28/04 Mayoral Art Exhibition Opening
- 30/04 City Nature Challenge - Focusing on plants
- 30/04 Norwood Junior Football Club Life Members Function

30/04	Karralyka Comedy Festival Roadshow
03/05	Deakin Electorate with the Hon Michael Sukkar MP, Federal Member for Deakin, Election funding commitment - North Ringwood Tennis Club
04/05	Maroondah Citizenship Ceremony
10/05	Maroondah Business Group Networking Function
11/05	Sharing Hope Business Event
11/05	Maroondah Heritage Reference Group Meeting

REPORTS OF COUNCILLOR BRIEFINGS

ITEM 2

MOVED CR GRAHAM, SECONDED CR MACDONALD

42/22

THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES THE PUBLIC RECORD OF THE FOLLOWING COUNCILLOR BRIEFINGS HELD ON THE 11 APRIL 2022 AND 2 MAY 2022

CARRIED

COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION REPORTS

ITEM 3

MOVED CR GRAHAM, SECONDED CR SPEARS

43/22

THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES

- 1. EASTERN TRANSPORT COALITION MEETING HELD ON THE 21 APRIL 2022**
- 2. MAROONDHAH COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 5 APRIL 2022**
- 3. MAROONDHAH ACCESS, INCLUSION AND EQUITY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 4 APRIL 2022**

CARRIED

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Cr Graham

PROPOSED MOTIONS FOR MAV STATE COUNCIL MEETING
- 24 JUNE 2022

ITEM 4

MOVED CR STEANE, SECONDED CR SPEARS

44/22

THAT COUNCIL ENDORSE SUBMITTING THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) MOTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA JUNE 2022 STATE COUNCIL MEETING:

- 1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CAPACITY TO RESOURCE STATE GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND TAX COLLECTION**

MOTION: That the MAV calls on the State Government to provide local government authorities the financial funding support required to continue providing the services to the community that the State Government has cost-shifted its responsibilities, in part or full, to Local Government over time. These critical services are deemed integral to the health and wellbeing of the community as demonstrated consistently through a wide

range of Community engagement over a long period of time and should have remained either cost neutral to Local Government, or the greater cost burden remaining with State Government as originally agreed.

These services include but are not limited to:

- Libraries
- School Crossing Supervisors
- State owned assets and infrastructure (maintenance)
- Immunisation Services and
- Maternal Child Health Services

During the pandemic, there was a heavy reliance on services, yet the funding from State Government to provide ongoing and essential services has not met the required levels. Additionally, other key services such as Council operated leisure facilities, which greatly assist to support positive mental health as restrictions have eased, were significantly impacted financially and not supported financially by Job Keeper or Job Seeker to continue to run those services. Hence many Council's are carrying significant losses.

Council also acts as the tax collector on behalf of the State Government for other services with limited funding to administratively run them, whilst still paying the costs for collection (such as bank charges). These taxes and levies include but are not limited to:

- Animal Registration Levy
- Fire Services Levy
- Landfill Levy
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For these services to continue to run at the standard expected by the community, the State needs to increase Council financial support to adequately compensate for this significant gap in the cost shifting equation that has occurred over time and is eroding Council's ability to deliver and adequately fund services, especially in a rate capped environment which is currently running significantly below CPI.

2. EXTENSION OF POWERS FOR COUNCIL AUTHORISED OFFICERS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT

MOTION: That the MAV calls on the State Government to amend the Environment Protection Act 2017 to allow Council Authorised Officers to have extended powers to instigate proceedings against offenders under s286 & s287 of the Act, in particular, for non-compliance with Improvement and Prohibition Notices issued for:

- unreasonable noise from residential construction sites, and
- potential impact to human health and the environment from onsite wastewater systems.

3. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT, VICROADS AND VICTRACK ROADSIDE AND TRACKSIDE MAINTENANCE FUNDING INCREASE

MOTION: That the MAV call on the State Government to provide increased funding for the Department of Transport (DoT), VicRoads and VicTrack to facilitate appropriate levels of service in relation to the ongoing maintenance (including weed and vegetation management, litter pickup and graffiti removal) of arterial road roadside areas including

the option for this maintenance work to be undertaken by Councils, should they choose to do so on behalf of DoT, under an indexed full cost recovery model.

Cr Dib left the Council Chamber at 8:04pm.

CARRIED

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Steane, Spears, Macdonald and Symon

COUNCILLORS QUARTERLY EXPENSE AND REIMBURSEMENT REPORT
- JANUARY TO MARCH 2022

ITEM 5

MOVED CR GRAHAM, SECONDED CR HANCOCK

45/22

**THAT COUNCIL NOTES THE COUNCILLOR'S EXPENSE AND REIMBURSEMENT
REPORT FOR JANUARY TO MARCH 2022**

Cr Dib returned to the Council Chamber at 8:08pm.

CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT: NINE MONTHS ENDING MARCH 2022

ITEM 6

MOVED CR SPEARS, SECONDED CR MACDONALD

46/22

**THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES THE REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL
PERFORMANCE AGAINST BUDGET FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDING 31 MARCH 2022**

CARRIED

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Cr Spears

DIRECTOR OPERATIONS, ASSETS & LEISURE

CAPITAL WORKS REPORT: THIRD QUARTER 2021/2022 FINANCIAL YEAR

ITEM 1

MOVED CR STEANE, SECONDED CR MACDONALD

47/22

**THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES AND NOTES THE REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE
CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2021 TO 31 MARCH 2022**

CARRIED

DIRECTOR STRATEGY & COMMUNITY

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE REPORTING FRAMEWORK
- SERVICE INDICATOR PROGRESS REPORT - QUARTER 3, 2021/22

ITEM 1

MOVED CR SPEARS, SECONDED CR MACDONALD

48/22

**THAT COUNCIL NOTE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE REPORTING
FRAMEWORK SERVICE PERFORMANCE RESULTS FOR THE 2021/22 FINANCIAL
YEAR AS AT 31 MARCH 2022**

CARRIED

Councillors who spoke to the motion - Crs Spears and Graham

COUNCIL PLAN 2021-2025 (YEAR 1: 2021/22) PRIORITY ACTION
PROGRESS REPORT - QUARTER 3, 2021/22

ITEM 2

MOVED CR MACDONALD, SECONDED CR HANCOCK

49/22

**THAT COUNCIL NOTE PROGRESS MADE TOWARDS THE DELIVERY OF 2021/22
PRIORITY ACTIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE COUNCIL PLAN 2021-2025 AS AT 31 MARCH
2022**

CARRIED**DOCUMENTS FOR SEALING**

Nil

MOTIONS TO REVIEW

Nil

LATE ITEMS

Nil

REQUESTS / LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - CR TONY DIB OAM JP

MOVED CR STEANE, SECONDED CR SPEARS

50/22

Cr Tony Dib OAM JP requested a Leave of Absence for the June and July 2022 Council Meetings.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

MOVED CR GRAHAM, SECONDED CR SPEARS

51/22

THAT THE FOLLOWING MATTERS BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA PURSUANT TO S66(1) AND S66(2)(A) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2020, BECAUSE THE REPORTS CONTAIN INFORMATION THAT IS CONFIDENTIAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH S3(1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2020.

DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

ITEM 1 MICROSOFT LICENSING ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT - CONTRACT
NPN2.17-3 MICROSOFT ARRANGEMENT (THROUGH MAV
PROCUREMENT)

Reason: This report contains Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released. This information is confidential in accordance with s3(1)(a) of the Act. This ground is applied because the information, if publicly released at the time, is likely to be inappropriately detrimental to the Council or any person.

DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

ITEM 2 PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD & GARDEN
ORGANICS (FOGO) SERVICE BINS, LIDS & ACCESSORIES, KITCHEN
CADDIES AND COMPOSTABLE LINERS - CONTRACT NPN1.11-3
MOBILE GARBAGE BINS (THROUGH MAV PROCUREMENT)

Reason: This report contains Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released. This information is confidential in accordance with s3(1)(a) of the Act. This ground is applied because the information, if publicly released at the time, is likely to be inappropriately detrimental to the Council or any person.

CARRIED

COUNCIL RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS BE REFLECTED IN THE MINUTES OF THE OPEN FORUM.

DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

MICROSOFT LICENSING ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT - CONTRACT
NPN2.17-3 MICROSOFT ARRANGEMENT (THROUGH MAV
PROCUREMENT)

ITEM 1

THIS REPORT AND ALL DISCUSSIONS IN RELATION TO IT REMAINS CONFIDENTIAL INDEFINITELY AND THIS RESOLUTION REMAINS CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL THE EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT AT WHICH TIME THE RESOLUTION BE MADE PUBLIC

*PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD & GARDEN ORGANICS
(FOGO) SERVICE BINS, LIDS & ACCESSORIES, KITCHEN CADDIES
AND COMPOSTABLE LINERS - CONTRACT NPN1.11-3 MOBILE
GARBAGE BINS (THROUGH MAV PROCUREMENT)*

ITEM 2

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The open forum closed at 8:21pm.

Confirmed

Date