

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE URBAN PLANNING SPECIAL COMMITTEE

MINUTES

(Open to the public)

Monday 31 August 2020

Online - Delivered via Webex Events.

Commencement 6.30pm

Attendance

- Councillor Garry Thompson (Chairperson)
- Councillor Cynthia Watson (Mayor)
- Councillor Jane Addis
- Councillor Phillip Healey
- Councillor Lisa Hollingsworth
- Councillor Steve Hurd
- Councillor Jim Parke
- Councillor Coral Ross
- Councillor Felicity Sinfield
- Councillor Jack Wegman

Apologies Nil

Officers

Phillip Storer	Chief Executive Officer
Shiran Wickramasinghe	Director City Planning
Shiranthi Widan	Acting Manager Strategic Planning
David Thompson	Manager Governance
Christian Wilmsen	Team Leader Strategic Planning
Nick Brennan	Senior Strategic Planner
Celia Robinson	Coordinator Governance
Helen Pavlidis	Governance Projects Officer
Elizabeth Manou	Governance Projects Officer

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1. Adoption and confirmation of the minutes**MOTION****Moved Councillor Parke****Seconded Councillor Healey****That the minutes of the Urban Planning Special Committee meeting held on 17 August 2020 be adopted and confirmed.****CARRIED****2. Declaration of conflict of interest of any councillor or council officer**

Nil

3. Presentation of officer reports**3.1 Amendment C318 - Balwyn Heritage Peer Review - Panel Report and Recommendations**

On 2 September 2019, the Urban Planning Special Committee (UPSC) resolved to commence Amendment C318 to the Boroondara Planning Scheme which seeks to implement the recommendations of the Balwyn Heritage Study Peer Review Stage 2.

Specifically, Amendment C318 proposes to introduce Heritage Overlays to fifteen individual properties and one precinct in Balwyn, Balwyn North and Deepdene.

Following receipt of authorisation on 14 October 2019, Amendment C318 was exhibited from 4 November to 13 December 2019. Council received a total of nine submissions including three supporting and six submissions opposing or seeking changes to the amendment.

On 17 February 2020, the UPSC resolved to refer all submissions to an independent Planning Panel for review.

A directions hearing was held on 23 March 2020 and the Panel hearing was held on 6, 8 and 13 May 2020. Both the directions and Panel hearings were conducted remotely, due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The Panel provided its report to Council on 10 June 2020. The report was made publicly available on 7 July 2020.

The Panel supports the amendment subject to some minor modifications and recommends the amendment be adopted. The Panel does not recommend for any property to be removed from the amendment and not be included in the Heritage Overlay.

Officers recommend that the UPSC resolve to make changes to the amendment in accordance with the Panel's recommendations, and refer Amendment C318 to a Meeting of Council to be adopted.

There were no speakers wishing to make submissions to Council for this item.

MOTION

Moved Councillor Watson

Seconded Councillor Sinfield

That the Urban Planning Special Committee resolve to:

- 1. Receive and acknowledge the Panel's report and recommendations, as shown at Attachment 1, in accordance with Section 27(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.**
- 2. Endorse the officers' response to the Panel's recommendations as outlined in this report and recommended changes to heritage citations, as shown at Attachment 2.**
- 3. Adopt the revised Balwyn Heritage Study Peer Review as shown at Attachment 3.**
- 4. Refer the updated Amendment C318 to a Meeting of Council to be adopted in accordance with Section 29(1) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.**
- 5. Authorise the Director City Planning to undertake administrative changes to the amendment and associated planning controls that do not change the intent of the controls.**

CARRIED

4. General business

Nil

5. Urgent business

Nil

6. Confidential business

Nil

The meeting concluded at 6.40pm

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

Date _____