

Maribyrnong City Council
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday 8 November, 2022 6pm

Community Hall Braybrook Community Hub 107–139 Churchill Avenue Braybrook

MEMBERSHIP

Councillor Anthony Tran (Mayor)
Councillor Sarah Carter
Councillor Michael Clarke
Councillor Simon Crawford
Councillor Jorge Jorquera
Councillor Cuc Lam
Councillor Bernadette Thomas

To be confirmed at the Council Meeting to be held on 15 November, 2022

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING AND WELCOME

The meeting commenced at 6.02pm.

The Chair, Anthony Tran, made the following acknowledgement statement:

"We acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Kulin Nation. We offer our respect to the Elders of these traditional lands, and through them to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, past and emerging".

PRESENT

Councillor Anthony Tran (Mayor)
Councillor Sarah Carter
Councillor Michael Clarke
Councillor Simon Crawford (from 6.18pm onwards)
Councillor Jorge Jorquera
Councillor Cuc Lam
Councillor Bernadette Thomas

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Executive Officer, Celia Haddock
Director Community Services, Lucas Gosling
Director Corporate Services, Lisa King
Director Planning and Environment, Laura Jo Mellan
Manager Governance and Commercial Services, Phil McQue
Manager Finance Services, Mark Connor
Governance Officer, Jessica Baguley

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Cuc Lam requested a leave of absence from 10 November 2022 to 26 November 2022.

Council Resolution

That Council grants the request for a Leave of Absence from Cr Cuc Lam, commencing from 10 November 2022 and concluding on 26 November 2022.

Moved:

Cr Sarah Carter

Seconded:

Cr Michael Clarke

CARRIED

Cr Jorge Jorquera requested a Leave of Absence from 10 November 2022 to 26 November 2022.

Council Resolution

That Council grants the request for a leave of absence from Cr Jorge Jorquera, commencing from 10 November 2022 and concluding on 26 November 2022.

Moved:

Cr Michael Clarke

Seconded:

Cr Bernadette Thomas

CARRIED

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

Cr Simon Crawford entered the meeting at 6.18pm.

5. OFFICER REPORTS

5.1. Proposed Financial Relief for Flood Impacted Residents and Community Groups

The purpose of this report was to seek endorsement of the provision of financial relief to residents and community groups impacted by the recent flooding event within Maribyrnong.

Council Resolution

That Council:

- Note the impact of the October 2022 flooding event and subsequent financial hardship to affected residents of the Maribyrnong community;
- 2. Resolve to provide financial relief to identified residents of the Maribyrnong community as follows:
 - Offer a rebate of 50% on the 2022/23 Quarter Two Instalment of the Rates and Municipal Charges, upon application (noting this rebate does not apply for the State Government Fire Service Levy);
 - Waive the 2022/23 Waste Charge;
 - Apply a rebate of 50% to the Residential Vacant Land Rate component where dwellings have been required to be demolished for reinstatement (noting this rebate does not apply for the State Government Fire Service Levy);
 - Waive the planning application fee for dwellings reinstated on a like for like basis in accordance with the Planning Scheme;
- 3. Resolve to offer a \$3,500 payment to the following organisations to assist in the replacement of items lost or destroyed:
 - Barkly Street Uniting Cricket Club
 - Footscray Boat Club
 - Footscray Cricket Club
 - Footscray Rugby Union Club
 - Maribyrnong Taekwondo Club
 - Maribyrnong Youth Club
 - Western Crusaders Gridiron Club
 - Maribyrnong Community Garden; and
- Note that impacts of the October 2022 flooding event will be monitored to determine any further support that may be required within the 2022/23 financial year

Moved:

Cr Sarah Carter

Seconded:

Cr Michael Clarke

CARRIED

65. MEETING CLOSURE

The Chair, Cr Anthony Tran, declared the meeting closed at 6.17pm.

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Chair, Sarah Carter