



**SPECIAL COUNCIL**

**MINUTES**

**2 MAY 2002**

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY  
COUNCIL HELD ON 2 MAY 2002, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ST  
KILDA TOWN HALL**

The meeting opened at 5.07 pm.

**PRESENT**

Cr Ray (Chairman), Cr Brand, Cr Gross, Cr Hutchens, Cr Johnstone (from 5.11pm), Cr Logan, David Spokes, Chief Executive Officer, Geoff Oulton Director City Development, Sue Wood Strategic Planner.

The Chairperson (Cr Ray) acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the Council meets, the Boonerwung language people and the Wurundjeri people as custodians.

**1. APOLOGIES**

**MOVED Crs Gross/Hutchens**

An apology was received and leave of absence granted to Cr Hill and Cr Johnstone.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Nil

### **3. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS**

The order of business was as follows:

#### **1 THE ESPLANADE HOTEL AMENDMENT C25**

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**Purpose:**

To consider and form a Council position in response to Becton's further submission to Amendment C25 to the Port Phillip Planning Scheme.

Cr Johnstone entered at 5.11pm

**Cr Johnstone gave Notice of the below FORESHADOWED MOTION:**

To ensure that the cultural significance of the hotel is not compromised, appropriate means be adopted to ensure that the reasonable access, operational and service needs of the Esplanade Hotel are addressed.

**MOVED Cr Brand/Johnstone**

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**A vote was taken and the MOTION was LOST.**

**MOVED Crs Gross/Johnstone**

That Council:

- 1.1. Notes that 41 submissions have been received to Becton's proposed changes to Amendment C25.
- 1.2. Adopts the officer's recommendations as amended, in response to Becton's further submission to Amendment C25, as outlined in attachments 1 and 2.
- 1.3. Authorizes the preparation of a submission to the panel hearing based on the recommendations of this report and the Council resolution of the 22 April 2002. In particular, the following principles should be addressed:
  - 1.3.1. Retention of the strategic intent of Amendment C25 is crucial to the achievement of an acceptable design and development outcome on the Esplanade Hotel site.
    - In particular, the retention of local policies that highlight the cultural significance of the Esplanade Hotel, the retention and strengthening of the objectives and provisions of schedule 12 to the Design and Development Overlay, and the retention of the revised statement of significance for the Esplanade Hotel, are crucial.

- It is noted that the strengthening of schedule 12 to the Design and Development Overlay includes objectives and/or provisions that specifically relate to achieving an appropriate scale of development at the Pollington Street and Victoria Street interfaces of the site, a transition in building scale and massing between the perimeter and core areas of the site and the modulation and articulation of development within the theoretical building envelopes.
- 1.3.2. An Absolute Maximum Height model is agreed to specifically for the Esplanade Hotel site provided that the strategic intent of Amendment C25 is maintained.
- 1.3.3. The Absolute Maximum Heights shown on Becton's proposed plan are generally consistent with the Absolute Maximum Heights specified in Amendment C25 and are agreed too provided that the strategic intent of the amendment is maintained.
- 1.3.4. The proposed changes to the Pollington Street (east) and Victoria Street building envelopes are not supported.
- 1.4. Provides its position to legal counsel and consultants to form the basis of their instructions for the panel hearing and continues to have discussions with Becton to identify further areas of commonality and that any such discussions be reported to Council.

**A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED.**

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 6.03 pm.

Confirmed: 27 May 2002

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_