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Minutes – General Meeting
6:50pm Wednesday, 7 September 2022
Meeting hosted by City of Melbourne
and also attended by zoom
Chair: Cr Jonathon Marsden

1. Welcome and introduction

The meeting commenced with an acknowledgement of country.

Present:

Cr Tom Melican	City of Banyule
Kathleen Petras	City of Banyule
Henry Lee	City of Bayside
Jon Liston	City of Brimbank
Ted Teo	City of Casey
Cr Susanne Newton	City of Darebin
Cr Jonathon Marsden	City of Hobsons Bay
Augustus Brown	City of Hobsons Bay
Cr Jodi Jackson	City of Hume
Luisiana Paganelli	City of Kingston
Cr Anna Chen	City of Manningham
Cr Simon Crawford	City of Maribyrnong
Richard Smithers	City of Melbourne
Michael Smith	City of Melton
Ross Evans	City of Monash
Damir Agic	City of Moonee Valley
Justine Lewis	Shire of Mornington Peninsula
Cr Richard Stockman	Shire of Nillumbik
Cr Geoff Paine	Shire of Nillumbik
Lawrence Seyers	Shire of Nillumbik
Douglas Rowland	City of Stonnington

Cr Andrew Munroe	City of Whitehorse
Russell Tricker	City of Whittlesea
Cr Peter Maynard	City of Wyndham
Philip Mallis	City of Yarra
Associates	
David Stosser	PMP Urbanists
Daniel Bowen	PTUA
Jacob Riley	MAV
MTF	
Jane Waldock	MTF

Guests

David Clarke	President MAV
Louise	MAV

Apologies

Lord Mayor Sally Capp – Melbourne	Greg Day – Edunity
Cr Jim Magee – Glen Eira	Kerri New – Casey
Cr Rebecca Paterson – Monash	Shekar Atla – Frankston
Cr Stuart James – Monash	Rachelle Jordan – Melbourne
Cr Sonia Castelli – Bayside	Che Sutherland – Port Phillip
Cr Victor Franco – Boroondara	John Bartells – Port Phillip
	Elias Lesbos – Travellers Aid
	Melissa Falkenberg – Wyndham

2. Acceptance of Minutes of previous meeting

MOTION: That the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3 August 2022 be adopted.

Proposed: Mr Ross Evans

Seconded: Cr Peter Maynard

The motion was: CARRIED

3. Presentation Mr Cr David Clarke- President MAV – the MAV Transport Agenda for the 2022 State Election.

David provided an overview of the comprehensive MAV election platform which has adopted “Locals Know” as its main message, which is underpinned by six themes:

THEME 1 - Economically sound councils

COVID-19 recovery for communities and councils; financial capacity

THEME 2 - Healthy, diverse and thriving communities Supporting our young families and senior Victorians;

housing

THEME 3 - Well-planned, connected and resilient built environment

Planning and building; community resilience and emergency management;
infrastructure & transport

THEME 4 - Changing climate and a circular economy

Sustainability and climate change

THEME 5 - Sector capability and good governance

Democracy in action

THEME 6 - Effective and responsive MAV

State-Local government relations

The transport theme (no 3) has four elements:

1. Improvements to the current funding model
 - Less grants and more ongoing funding that allows councils flexibility to deliver locally important projects.
 - Rate capping is severely limiting councils.
2. Protection of community safety
 - School crossings,
 - road safety improvements and
 - better risk treatments on unsafe roads.
3. Better support for active transport
 - \$235 million over 4 years, plus
 - better integration with big build projects.
4. Support for freight and strong economy
 - More funding and support for local roads that link to the Principal Freight Network or have economic significance beyond the access interests and responsibilities of local ratepayers.

Access to MAV resources including key messages and media templates

- <https://www.mav.asn.au/extranet/comms-hub/transport-advocacy-strategy-2022>

4. Strategic Transport Advocacy

4.1 2022 Town Hall Series

Jane Waldock provided an update on the 2022 Town Hall forum process.

- Town Hall meetings are being planned at the following:
 - Moreland (Brunswick) Tuesday 4 October
 - Melton (Kororoit) Thursday 6 October
 - Mornington Peninsula (Hastings) Wednesday 12 October
 - Banyule Thursday 13 October
 - Whitehorse (Box Hill) Tuesday 18 October
 - Casey Wednesday 19 October

5. Council Information Sharing

Officers from Frankston and Hobsons Bay reported on transport strategies, projects and advocacy in their municipalities.

- Mr Gus Brown provided the following information about Hobsons Bay projects:
 - An update to the projects and advocacy in the Spotswood area.

- ‘GreenLine’ walking and cycling paths in planning with some sections due to be delivered this year. These will help connect the area to the Bay Trail and Federation Trail.
 - ‘Streets for People’ project developing concept plans with the aim to calm local streets and increase local connectivity and greening.
 - Council has backed the Rail Futures plan for East-West Rail (Metro 2) through Spotswood and it considering advocacy on improvements to the local bus network.
- Mr Shekar Atla provided the following information about Frankston’s transport projects.
 - Draft Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) is currently on Phase 2 Community Consultation and can be viewed at <https://engage.frankston.vic.gov.au/integrated-transport-strategy>
 - This consultation is closing on 02 October 2022 and final ITS expected to be approved by Council late 2022 or early 2023.
 - We are currently reviewing the Bicycle Strategy 2013 and exploring options to develop this strategy and mainly trying to explore options whether we do it in-house or outsource
 - They are few strategies being under review in relation to planning and lead by our Strategic planning team mainly Frankston Metropolitan Activity Centre (FMAC) Structure review, Industrial Transport Strategy review and Housing Strategy review to name a few.

6. 2022/23 Budget

The proposed 2022/23 budget was presented.

MOTION: That the draft 2022/23 budget be adopted.

Proposed: Mr Ross Evans

Seconded: Cr Richard Stockman

The motion was: CARRIED

7. Regular Reports

6.1 Treasurer’s report

- The finance reports from June and July were presented.
- invoices approved by Exec in August
 - Yarra Bookkeeping Inv 1381 – July bookkeeping \$ 220.00 (inc GST)
 - Edunity Inv 3633 – July retainer \$ 660.00 (inc GST)
 - Edunity Inv 3634 – 2022 Town Hall mtgs costs – part 1 \$5368.00 (inc GST)

MOTION: That the invoices approved by Executive for payment in August be noted;

Proposed: Mr Ross Evans

Seconded: Cr Richard Stockman

The motion was: CARRIED

6.2 Other events

It was noted that the Chair, Cr Melican and the EO met with Jacob Riley from the MAV to discuss continuing partnering on projects.

6.3 MAV

- Refer to presentation from MAV president Cr David Clarke.

6.3 Administration

Nil

7 Correspondence

Nil

8 Up Coming Meeting Topics

- **9th Sept** – ITE-ANZ Ogden Transport Lecture - see separate email sent 31 Aug
- **Transport Camp** – David Stosser provided the link to the 2022 Transport Camp to be held on 30 September at Melbourne Town Hall.
<https://www.transportcamp.city/events/2022/8/15/transportcamp-melbourne-2022>

Coming General meetings:

- October – Department of Transport – Smarter Roads project
- November - TBC
- December – Luisiana Paganelli and Nuno Pires on transport in Curitiba and Lisbon.

9 General Business

- Feedback on the hybrid meeting is encouraged – a quick survey will be sent to members about their preferred attendance mode.
- The casual vacancy on the executive was noted, members were invited to contact the Chair or EO if they are interested in the position.
- Ambassador roles were discussed, with the suggestion being made that further ambassador roles could be developed such as for trains, DDA compliance

10 Meeting closed 7:55 pm