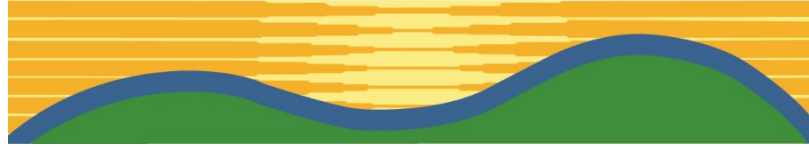


**MITCHELL SHIRE COUNCIL**



**COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

**MONDAY 29 JUNE 2020**



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<b>MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MITCHELL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ONLINE ON 29 JUNE 2020</b>
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**THE MEETING OPENED:** 7.03pm

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT**

Cr Annie Goble	Central Ward
Cr David Atkinson	Central Ward
Cr Bob Humm	Central Ward
Cr Bill Chisholm	North Ward
Cr Rhonda Sanderson	North Ward
Cr Fiona Stevens	North Ward
Cr David Lowe	South Ward (Chairperson)
Cr Rob Eldridge	South Ward
Cr Bob Cornish	South Ward

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

Ms Mary Agostino	Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr Laurie Ellis	Director Governance and Corporate Performance
Ms Jo Wilson	Director Advocacy and Community Services
Mr Mike McIntosh	Director Development and Infrastructure
Ms Lidia Harding	Manager Governance and Corporate Accountability

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**1 WELCOME AND GOVERNANCE DECLARATION**

The Mayor formally opens the meeting with an acknowledgement of country and welcomes all present.

*The Mayor acknowledges the traditional owners of the Taungurung Nation and pay his respect to their Elders past and present, and its emerging and future leaders.*

The declaration was read by Cr B. Humm.

**2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

No apologies were received.

**3 DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

*In accordance with section 79 of the Local Government Act 1989.*

Nil

## 4 DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

### 4.1 SEYMOUR FLOOD LEVEE – FUTURE DIRECTIONS REPORT 2020

**Author:** *Tim Partridge - Manager Engineering and Major Projects*

**File No:** *CT/04/146*

**Attachments:**

1. *Seymour Flood Levee Alignments*
2. *Council Resolution 25 October 2010*
3. *Key Project Milestones*
4. *Geotechnical Investigation Report 2016*
5. *Land Acquisition Plan*
6. *Draft Social Impact Assessment - Seymour Flood Levee*
7. *GBCMA Correspondence*
8. *Economic Impact Assessment - Seymour Flood Levee*
9. *Community Consultation Report - Seymour Flood Levee*
10. *Project Risk Assessment*

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### SUMMARY

This report;

- a) Outlines the project background for the development of the Seymour Flood Mitigation (Levee) Project and the current commitments that have been made by Council and its funding partners for the detailed planning and design, acquisition of land and the construction of the Seymour Flood Levee structure.
- b) Seeks to recommend Council's future direction for the project.

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SEYMOUR FLOOD LEVEE – FUTURE DIRECTIONS REPORT 2020 (CONT.)

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION****MOVED:** CR. A. GOBLE**SECONDED:** CR. B. CHISHOLM

**THAT** the Council report title be amended to read Seymour Flood Levee – Future Directions Report 2020.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MOVED:** CR. R. SANDERSON**SECONDED:** CR. F. STEVENS

**THAT** Council:

1. Ceases to pursue future planning, development and delivery of the Seymour Flood Levee project, given the scale, complexity and risks involved in the delivery of the Seymour Flood Levee Project.
2. Instructs the Acting Chief Executive Officer to terminate all funding agreements between Council and the Victorian State Government and Federal Government relating to the planning, design, acquisition of land and construction of the flood levee project.
3. Officers prepare a report outlining the implications for the Seymour Structure Plan associated with this resolution.
4. Publicly advises the community of this resolution.

**AMENDMENT****MOVED:** CR. D. ATKINSON**SECONDED:** CR. B. CHISHOLM

**THAT** Council:

1. Ceases to pursue future planning, development and delivery of the Seymour Flood Levee project, given the scale, complexity and risks involved in the delivery of the Project.
2. Instructs the Chief Executive Officer to explore opportunities with the relevant State and Federal Government partners for secured funds to be allocated to alternative projects in the area, before any action is taken to terminate relevant funding agreements. Should no agreements be reached between the parties, undertake the necessary steps to terminate all funding agreements between Council and the Victorian State Government and Federal Government relating to the planning, design, acquisition of land and construction of the flood levee project.



SEYMOUR FLOOD LEVEE – FUTURE DIRECTIONS REPORT 2020 (CONT.)

3. Officers prepare a report outlining the implications for the Seymour Structure Plan associated with this resolution.
4. Publicly advises the community of this resolution.

**EXTENSION OF SPEAKING TIME**

**MOVED:** CR. R. SANDERSON

**SECONDED:** CR. A. GOBLE

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**EXTENSION OF SPEAKING TIME**

**MOVED:** CR. D. ATKINSON

**SECONDED:** CR. B. CHISHOLM

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**EXTENSION OF SPEAKING TIME**

**MOVED:** CR. F. STEVENS

**SECONDED:** CR. A. GOBLE

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The amendment became part of the substantive motion

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

Confirmed this Monday, 20 July 2020

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**Chairperson**  
**Mayor, Cr David Lowe**