



**GLEN EIRA CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2024**

**MINUTES**

**Meeting was held in the Council Chambers,  
Corner Hawthorn & Glen Eira Roads, Caulfield  
at 7.30pm**

Present

The Mayor, Councillor Simone Zmood  
Councillor Arabella Daniel  
Councillor Margaret Esakoff  
Councillor Jane Karlake  
Councillor Sam Parasol  
Councillor Luca Ragni  
Councillor Kay Rimbardo  
Councillor Kimberley Young

Council Officers Present

Chief Executive Officer, Rebecca McKenzie  
Director Sustainability, Assets and Leisure, Niall McDonough  
Director Community Wellbeing, Jane Price  
Director Customer and Corporate Affairs, Kellie Vise  
Director Planning and Place, Rosa Zouzoulas  
Chief Financial Officer, John Vastianos  
Manager Risk and Governance, Diana Vaynrib  
Coordinator Councillor Business, Karling Colomiere  
Councillor Business Officer, Kylie Webster

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## 1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Mayor read the acknowledgement.

Glen Eira City Council acknowledges the Boon Wurrung/Bunurong and Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung peoples of the Kulin Nation as Traditional Owners and Custodians, and pays respect to their Elders past and present. We acknowledge and uphold Traditional Owner's continuing relationship to the land and waterways. Council extends its respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

## 2. APOLOGIES

### Apology

**Moved: Cr Young**

**Seconded: Cr Karlake**

That the apology from Cr Zhang be received and noted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 3. REMINDER TO DISCLOSE ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Councillors were reminded of the requirement for disclosure of conflicts of interest in relation to items listed for consideration on the Agenda, or any item that was considered at this meeting, in accordance with Section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* and Rule 85 of the Glen Eira City Council Governance Rules. Councillors were then invited to indicate any such conflict of interest.

Councillors were advised that should they have a conflict of interest, Councillors must declare the conflict immediately before the item and state whether the conflict is general or material before vacating the chambers for the duration of that item.

## 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nil

**5. WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL**

Nil

**6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING OR MEETINGS**

**Moved: Cr Daniel**

**Seconded: Cr Karlake**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 3 December 2024 be confirmed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. RECEPTION AND READING OF PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS**

Nil

**8. REPORTS BY DELEGATES APPOINTED BY COUNCIL TO VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS**

Nil

**9. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND RECORDS OF ASSEMBLY****9.1 ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

Nil

**9.2 RECORDS OF ASSEMBLY****9.2.1 RECORDS OF ASSEMBLIES**

**Moved: Cr Esakoff**

**Seconded: Cr Young**

That Council notes the Records of Assemblies for:

1. 26 November 2024 Assembly; and
2. 3 December 2024 Pre-meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**10. OFFICER REPORTS (AS LISTED)**

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**10.1 CARNEGIE SPECIAL RATE SCHEME VARIATION TO INCLUDE A CAP**

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**Moved: Cr Ragni****Seconded: Cr Karlake**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Officer Report and the request from Carnegie Mainstreet Association Inc.
2. Varies the special rate declared on 13 June 2024 and imposed on identified properties in the Carnegie Shopping Centre in accordance with s 166(2)(b)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1989* by capping the amount of the special rate so that no person is liable to pay more than \$15,000 in respect of a single rateable property by way of the special rate in any particular financial year.
3. Authorises Council's Chief Executive Officer to carry out any and all administrative steps necessary to give effect to this Resolution and comply with the *Local Government Act 1989*.
4. Enters into an Agreement with Carnegie Main Street Inc (ABN 73 905 096 621) to assist it to administer the Carnegie Special Rate Scheme (Attachment 2).
5. Notes that the attached updated Agreement has been prepared in accordance with any obligations under the *Local Government Act 1989* and in line with the declared special rate; and
6. Seals the updated Carnegie Special Rate Funding Agreement in an appropriate manner by affixing of the Council Seal once signed by the Carnegie Traders Association.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.2 COMMUNITY GRANTS**

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**Moved: Cr Parasol****Seconded: Cr Esakoff**

That Council:

1. Approves a Small Grant for:
  - a) Sephardi Association of Victoria \$1,000
  
2. Approves Facility Hire Grants for:
  - a) Glen Eira Cheltenham Art Group \$500
  - b) Ormond Netball Club \$311.25
  - c) Pathways Melbourne \$1,501.21
  - d) Heartfulness Institute \$2,888
  - e) Glen Eira Junior Soccer Club \$1,440
  - f) Refocus Club Melbourne \$1,199.66
  - g) Maccabi Victoria \$1,304.39
  - h) Melbourne Accueil \$239
  
3. Approves Youth Excellence Awards for:
  - a) Ho Ching \$600
  - b) Zara \$1,200
  - c) Cindy \$1,200
  - d) Braden \$600

*(These minutes have been updated to redact the surnames in point 3 of the recommendation due to privacy reasons. There are no other changes made to the motion.) 23/01/2025*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.3 FOOD SAFETY MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION POLICY**

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**Moved: Cr Daniel****Seconded: Cr Rimbardo**

That Council:

1. Revokes the Closure of a Food Premises Policy (**Attachment 2**);
2. Revokes the Food Safety – Revocation or Suspension of Registration Policy (**Attachment 3**); and
3. Adopts the Food Safety Management and Public Health Protection Policy with a next review date of 17 December 2028 (**Attachment 1**).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.4 GEL CUSTOMER BEHAVIOUR POLICY**

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**Moved: Cr Daniel****Seconded: Cr Karlake**

That Council adopt the Glen Eira Leisure Customer Behaviour Policy with a next review date of 17 December 2025 as shown in Attachment 1 to this report.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.5 AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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**Moved: Cr Ragni****Seconded: Cr Rimbaldo**

That Council adopts the minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 9 December 2024 as shown in Attachment 1 to the report.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**10.6 CLASSIFIED TREE REGISTER QUARTERLY REPORT**

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**Moved: Cr Karlake****Seconded: Cr Parasol**

That Council

1. Authorises a notice to be published in the Victorian Government Gazette of the decision to include 5 further trees on the Classified Tree Register as listed below:
  - a) River Red Gum 1 of 2 (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*) located at Boyd Park, Murrumbeena – 195/CTR/2021;
  - b) River Red Gum 2 of 2 (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*) located at Boyd Park, Murrumbeena – 195/CTR/2021;
  - c) Lemon Scented Gum (*Corymbia citriodora*) located at Heath Drive, Glen Huntly – 522/CTR/2023;
  - d) River Red Gum (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*) located at King George IV Reserve, Bentleigh East – 578/CTR/2024; and
  - e) Blue Gum (*Eucalyptus globulus*) located at King George IV Reserve, Bentleigh East – 578/CTR/2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**11. URGENT BUSINESS**

Cr Parasol has requested to put forward an item of business as Urgent Business in relation to community safety concerns.

**URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTANCE****Moved: Cr Zmood****Seconded: Cr Karlake**

That this item of business put forward by Cr Parasol be admitted as Urgent Business.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY****11.1 NOTICE OF MOTION – 24/001****Moved: Cr Parasol****Seconded: Cr Esakoff**

That officers prepare a report for the 4 February 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting outlining potential actions Council could take to strengthen community cohesion and promote a safe and inclusive environment in light of recent antisemitism and growing community safety concerns in the City of Glen Eira.

The report should consider how Council can promote a safe and inclusive environment for all residents of Glen Eira regardless of faith, culture or background through:

- Taking practical actions to support the community in the short term;
- Identifying longer term initiatives that could be considered as part Council's four-year and ten year strategic planning and the 2025/26 annual budget process; and
- Working across municipal borders and advocating to the Victorian and Australian Governments.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**12. ORDINARY BUSINESS****12.1 Requests for reports from a member of Council staff**

Nil

**12.2 Right of reply**

Nil

**12.3 Notice of Motion / Notice of Rescission**

Nil

**12.4 Councillor questions**

Nil

**13. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**Moved: Cr Zmood**

**Seconded: Cr Young**

That pursuant to Section 66(1) and 66(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 2020, the Council resolves that so much of this meeting be closed to members of the public, as is required for Council to consider the following matters that are confidential in accordance with Section 3(1) of the Act:

**13.1 Rate Charge for Caulfield Racecourse Reserve Trust**

This agenda item is confidential information for the purposes of section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020:

- because it is Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released (section 3(1)(a)); and
- because the matter to be discussed at this meeting is an ongoing commercial negotiation in relation to Section 4(1) of the Cultural & Recreational Lands Act 1963 (Vic)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*It is recorded that the livestream has been disabled and community members have vacated the Gallery at 8.17pm.*

*Following Confidential Item 13.1 – the meeting will be considered closed.*

**14. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.19pm

Confirmed this 4 February 2025 Ordinary Council meeting

**Chairperson.....**