Agenda

Special Meeting of Council

Monday, 21st October 2019

Commencing at 7.00pm

Council Chamber 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham

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Julie Reid Chief Executive Officer Kingston City Council



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Notice is given that a Special Meeting of Kingston City Council will be held at 7.00pm at Council Chamber, 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham, on Monday, 21 October 2019.

1. Apologies

2. Foreshadowed Declaration by Councillors, Officers or Contractors of any Conflict of Interest

Note that any Conflicts of Interest need to be formally declared at the start of the meeting and immediately prior to the item being considered – type and nature of interest is required to be disclosed – if disclosed in writing to the CEO prior to the meeting only the type of interest needs to be disclosed prior to the item being considered.

3. Notices of Motion

4. Confidential Items

Nil

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Agenda Item No: 3.1

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 50/2019 - CRS OXLEY, BEARSLEY & EDEN - COUNCIL GOVERNANCE

I move that:

Considering probity concerns arising in relation to the Endeavour Cove Development (and surrounding area) / Planning Department, and potential concerns regarding the handling of this matter and the lack of open and transparent information provided to Councillors

- 1. Council seek an immediate probity review of Council's governance structures to ensure they are performing at or above best practice standards (this is to encompass the total governance of the organisation). This is to be done by external consultants and led by our Governance Department and a report is to be presented to Council within 60 days considering best practice, and how Council can improve Governance within the organisation. Such review is to commence within 30 days.
- Council appoint independent auditors (law firm with expertise, or a suitable firm) that have Not previously taken direction from Council staff to review the issue, report and making findings. This is to occur within 45 days.
- 3. That all matters relating to the said planning matter be made public upon the passing of this motion, unless required due to legal privilege or other legislation (which could compromise the VCAT proceedings), and that all information be provided to Councillors and comprehensive briefing occur at the first CIS after the passing of this motion.
- 4. Council receive a monthly briefing from Council's governance department to advise of any areas of concern / risk or potential governance improvements within the organisation. This is to start in November 2019.
- 5. That Council note that this is not a reflection on our Governance Department, and rather an enhancement in culture through the organisation to focus further on the importance of Governance.

Cr Georgina Oxley Cr Tamsin Bearsley Cr David Eden

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