Council Resolution

That Council notes the Governance Report containing the record of informal meetings of Councillors and Councillor Delegates' Reports for February 2021 which will be made available on Council's website for the term of the current Council.

Moved:

Cr Cuc Lam

Seconded:

Cr Anthony Tran

CARRIED

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

10.1. Notice Of Motion: Support and Engagement with Australia's First Nations People

The following motion was originally presented to the Council Meeting held 16 February 2021. Council resolved to defer consideration of the motion until the Council Meeting of 16 March 2021.

Council Resolution

That Council:

Acknowledgement:

- 1. Acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples never ceded sovereignty of their lands and have continuously cared for their country for over 60,000 years as the world's oldest living culture.
- 2. Acknowledges that the first contact between the Wurundjeri Woi wurrung and Europeans occurred in 1835, and as recognised in the Treaty and Truth elements of the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the Apology of 13 February 2008, to the Stolen Generations by the then Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, further acknowledges the past mistreatment and profound grief, suffering and loss on these our fellow Australians, that colonisation and dispossession had and continues to have, on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.
- Acknowledges that Maribyrnong City Council's history of reconciliation through action began in 1992 with the support of the Koorie Gardening Team and continues through the implementation of a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).

Recognition Through Action:

4. In acknowledging the suffering experienced by Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as recognised in the Treaty and Truth elements of the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the grief and loss experienced by the Stolen Generations, Flies the Aboriginal Flag at half-mast on January 26, from 2022 onwards. In order to validate Council's commitment to Aboriginal initiated and lead projects, that Council supports and acknowledges the priority of Aboriginal projects within the City of Maribyrnong, in the 2021 round of Council Community Grants program.

Community Engagement:

- 6. That Council engages in a broad ranging and deliberative consultations process with the First Nations and the wider established and newly arrived people of Maribyrnong. The intent of this clear community engagement process is to assist the sitting Councillors in generating a clear direction on how the Maribyrnong City Council should respond to 26 January.
- 7. In response to the Treaty and Truth elements of the Uluru Statement from the Heart, and in support of the treaty process commenced by the State of Victoria, that Maribyrnong City Council stands in solidarity with all three language groups on which the Maribyrnong City Council Local Government area sits as their traditional lands, in contributing to the Truth Telling process, under the auspice of the Victorian State Government's soon to be established, Yoo-rrouch Justice Commission.

Moved:

Cr Michael Clarke

Seconded:

Cr Cuc Lam

CARRIED

11. COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

Nil.

12. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

13. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil.

14. MEETING CLOSURE

The Chair, Cr Michael Clarke, declared the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

To be confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting