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To: [CoM Meetings](#)
Subject: Webform submission from: Future Melbourne Committee public question form
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Submitted on Thu, 01/05/2025 - 14:50

Submitted by: Anonymous

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Yes

Your details

Contact details

Tony Penna



Your question

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Your question

We addressed you on 20 August 2024 in relation to the City Road Master Plan. At that meeting you resolved to:

Note updates on the City Road Masterplan, approve a draft Victorian budget submission for the full upgrade of City Road itself, east and west, while directing that an updated version be prepared for the Lord Mayor to submit in November 2024, require that the budget submission also be sent to the Member for Albert Park and others, and request a paper to FMC by 3 June 2025 to report whether the budget submission was successful.

And to be clear, the budget bid to the Victorian government is for City Road east and west, not the Northern Undercroft - though we are of course delighted that council secured a Commonwealth Government grant in late 2024 to upgrade the Northern Undercroft.

My question is to the Lord Mayor -

On behalf of Southbank residents, can we have an update on the 20 August 2024 resolution please?

Specifically:

Was the budget submission sent in November?

Was it also sent to the Member for Albert Park?

Have you maintained conversation with the Member for Albert Park and are you confident she is supportive of and advocating for the budget submission?
May we see the budget submission? And, is the 3 June 2025 FMC paper on track?

Can I also ask:

Will you be ensuring that the full implementation of the City Road Master Plan is included in Council's 2025-26 Annual Plan, including delivery by council of the actions under its own control, and advocacy to the Victorian Government that it complete the rest? And, are you confident that the newly elected council understands the serious risk to human life and health posed by the current design of City Road?

Thank you

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Contact details

Felicity Gibon



Your question

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Your question

Why has the City of Melbourne extended using private security guards to move on homeless people in the City of Melbourne, without evaluating the effectiveness of the initial trial period?

From: [City of Melbourne](#)
To: [CoM Meetings](#)
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Contact details

Kate Kennedy



Your question

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Your question

Lord Mayor, the Kensington Association wrote to you and to the Deputy Lord Mayor on 16 April in relation to a series of decisions that we had expected to see made before the draft 2025-26 Budget would be released.

The three matters were:

1. A 'Racecourse Road Strategic Implementation Plan' (the FMC resolved in September 2024 that this be considered by February 2025, so that a capital works plan could be agreed by both Melbourne and Moonee Valley Councils before the draft Budget 2025-26 had been set).
2. A consultation plan for a 'Moonee Ponds Creek Macaulay Rd to Arden St linear park' (the FMC resolved in August 2024 that a proposal be considered by March 2025, so that a consultation program could be included in the Annual Plan 2025-26).
3. And of course the 'Drainage Land' abutting Moonee Ponds Creek (options to bring forward purchase of the Drainage Land were to return to FMC by March 2025, and in March the FMC resolved to request a report "at the earliest opportunity" to address this matter, but we have not heard further).

We didn't receive any responses to those letters. So given the Council and FMC have essentially run out of time to consider these matters before the draft 2025-26 Budget and Annual Plan are released, can we ask directly please:

1. When will these three matters return to Council or FMC for decision?

2. Can you assure us that these three matters will be adequately reflected in the 2025-26 Annual Plan?

Thank you

Dr Kate Kennedy

Chair Kensington Association

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Contact details

Chris Thrum



Your question

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Your question

The Racecourse Road Strategic Improvement Plan (RRSIP) is an important partnership project between the State Government, City of Melbourne and Moonee Valley City Council. Can City of Melbourne give an update on how things are progressing with this plan, and in particular, considering that there are no low floor trams on the 57 West Maribyrnong tram line, how are things progressing with Yarra Trams to bring in a low floor tram service equitable with the 96 tram service from St Kilda?

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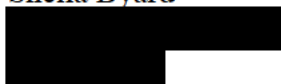
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Contact details

Sheila Byard



Your question

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Your question

Could we please have an explanation as to why the City of Melbourne has not yet after 6 weeks of closure repaired & reopened the public toilet #177 on Bellair St Kensington adjacent to one of the entry/exits of the railway station.

From early morning hundreds of travellers are coming on & off the station. Rough sleepers & others are forced to urinate etc nearby . This is a health hazard.

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Yes

Your details

Contact details

Anton Diradji



Your question

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Your question

Large SUVs and light trucks have much larger impacts on air pollution, pedestrian safety, and road maintenance costs compared to regular cars and vans.

What would need to be done to charge SUVs and light trucks an appropriate market-based, user-pays increased parking fee at CoM operated curbside parking spaces?

This increased parking fee would offset the impacts that these heavier vehicles make on the people of the City of Melbourne, and would also discourage unnecessary use of heavier vehicles, and encourage the use of public transport, and active transportation.

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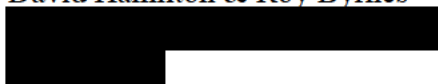
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David Hamilton & Roy Byrnes



Your submission

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Agenda item title

Item 6.1 Northern Undercroft and City Road Park - Concept Design

Alternatively you may attach your written submission by uploading your file here
[SB3006 FOM Agenda Item 6.1 Northern Undercroft and City Road Park Concept Design.pdf](#) (143.84 KB)

Please indicate whether you would like to verbally address the Future Melbourne in support of your submission:

Yes

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FOM Meeting
6 May 2025
Agenda Item 6.1

Northern Undercroft and City Road Park Concept Design

David Hamilton
President
Southbank3006

Roy Byrnes
Secretary
Southbank3006



S O U T H B A N K 3 0 0 6


Northern Undercroft – Filling the Active Recreation Gap in Southbank

The “Undercroft:” provides an opportunity for of various active recreation facilities E.G. half-courts for basketball, netball, pickleboard, soccer, outdoor gym spaces, and practice nets for cricket. **Such facilities will appeal to a wide cross section of Southbank’s apartment dwellers coming from a wide diversity of countries.**

With only 117 survey responses and a small number of other inputs Council consultation with residents has been very limited on an important new resource in Southbank.

This is an inherent failure in the design of the Participate Melbourne processes. Attracting 117 survey responses is an indictment of the failure of the tools and techniques being used by the Participate Melbourne team. It is neither consultation nor market research. This needs to be addressed by Council in areas such as Southbank.

The current "Concept Design" needs clarification on several elements before Council hands over responsibility for finalising design to Council Officers as this paper seeks.



What needs to be clarified in the Concept Design before Council agrees to the Officers recommendations

- Council needs to direct Officers that the “multi-purpose courts” will encompass a permanent Basketball Court before signing off on the “concept design”.
- There is strong local support for this element and the current temporary court provided by OSK at the Melbourne Square site must close in the near-term. Something supported by Kavanagh St Residents.
- Providing for pickleball, netball & cricket activities are especially important elements given Southbank’s demographic. Not clear they are picked up.
- Is a skateboarding element the best use of limited active recreation space given the skateboard facility in Alexander Gardens?
- Long term community safety & management of the facilities needs to be designed in & thought through before embarking on project implementation.

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Your details

Contact details

Tony Penna



Your submission

Date of meeting

2025-05-06

Agenda item title

Agenda Item 6.1 - Northern Undercroft and City Road Park - Concept Design

Please write your submission in the space provided below and submit by no later than 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. Submissions will not be accepted after 10am.

Find attached

Alternatively you may attach your written submission by uploading your file here [2024-12-03 FMC Meeting No.1 Agenda Item Agenda item Agenda item 6.1 Northern Undercroft and City Road Park - Concept Design.PDF](#) (154.11 KB)

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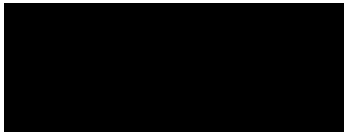
Submission to Future Melbourne Committee

City of Melbourne, Melbourne Town Hall,
06 May 2025, 5.30pm – Meeting No.7
Agenda Item FMC Agenda item Agenda item 6.1 Northern Undercroft and City Road Park - Concept Design

Southbank Residents Association (SRA) is pleased we are finally proceeding with what appears to be substantial progress on this site, albeit long overdue.

However, we are astonished with the lack detail in the concept plan. It appears officers have created an over-arching concept thereby leaving them with a great amount of lee-way with what the final design will look like. We have never experienced council with such vagueness across similar concept plans across the municipality. Can we refer you to the Transforming Southbank Boulevard concept plans where we were provided detailed renders of what the community could expect in each space. There are no such renders here and instead we are left with using our imagination.

In principle, the concept appears to address the desires of the community and we look forward to being able to continue to engage with council officers as each space is more clearly defined, as we did with Southbank Boulevard.



Tony Penna
President
Southbank Residents Association

From: [Bill Horman](#)
To: [CoM Meetings](#)
Subject: SUBMISSION re Agenda Item 7.1 - FUTURE MELBOURNE COMMITTEE meeting 6th May 2025
Date: Tuesday, 6 May 2025 9:33 AM
Attachments: [SUBMISSION to FUTURE MELBOURNE COMMITTEE, May 2025 update.docx](#)

SUBMISSION re Agenda Item 7.1 for Future Melbourne Committee this evening, 6th May 2025 forwarded herewith.

– and I advise I am desirous of appearing before the Committee and speaking to the Submission on behalf of the “independent Members” on the SCCP CCTV Audit Committee.

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Regards

BILL HORMAN AM APM

Chair – SCCP CCTV Audit Committee

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FUTURE MELBOURNE COMMITTEE – 6 MAY 2025

Submission to Agenda item 7.1

By Mr Bill Horman AM APM, Chair SCCP CCTV Audit Committee

1.. Background

1. First, as Chairman on the SCCP CCTV Audit Committee, I express appreciation on behalf of the “Independent Members” of the Committee for the opportunity to provide comments on this important Agenda Item.
2. The “Independent Members” are”
 - Solicitor Mr Paul Ryan;
 - Community advocate Ms Margaret Rode (with significant experience and expertise in the field of governance; and
 - myself.
3. For the sake of the record, I was a member of the MELBOURNE SAFE CITY EXECUTIVE at the time the SCCP concept was developed, A task provided to me by the Executive Committee was to liaise with the then President of the Victorian Council of Civil Liberties (now Liberty Victoria) Mr Robert Richter KC (then QC) regarding the development of the SCCP. It is pointed out there has been a very considerable change in relation to the extent of use of CCTV cameras today (2025) and the community’s general acceptance of CCTV cameras today. From being somewhat uncomfortable with possibly being under surveillance (back in the mid-1990s) to today (2025) - where many people feel more safe knowing the area is under CCTV coverage. Today CCTV is a very common feature – banks, chemists, newsagents, Coles, Woolworths, TABS – and dashcams and CCTV Security Cameras fitted to both outside and inside residential homes and businesses.
4. Three matters then stressed by Mr Richter QC which may be relevant to the consideration of Council were:
 - (i) The concept of the SCCP Audit Committee was important
 - (ii) The proposal to include “Independent members” on the Audit Committee was important; and
 - (iii) The appointment of the first Chairman of the SCCP CCTV AUDIT COMMITTEE needed to be someone of impeccable reputation for integrity.

5. As a result of Mr Richter's comment, I approached the then immediate former State Ombudsman Mr Norman Geschke (with whom I had some relationship) and he agreed to become the the Audit Committee's first Chairman. Mr Geschke commented to me that he would like one of the other two independent members to be an experienced barrister/solicitor. Barrister Mr John Buxton (former Counsel to the Costigan Royal Commission and National Crime Authority became an independent member of the Committee. (I had previously worked with Mr Buxton in those two roles and had a lot of respect for him and had confidence in his abilities).
6. Mr Buxton subsequently replaced Mr Geschke and served for many years on the Committee and many years as it's second Chairman. In his role as Chairman, Mr Buxton subsequently persuaded me to become an Independent Member of the SCCP CCTV Audit Committee.

2.. Comments by Chairman of the SCCP CCTV Audit Committee on matters before the Committee:

The matters I wish to comment on the Council document have been underlined, below – with my specific comments appearing as Footnotes:

AGENDA ITEM 7.1

Notice of Motion, Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece: Safe City Camera Program (SCCP)

Motion 1. That the Future Melbourne Committee:

1.1. Notes the resolution of Council dated 30 May 2023 relating to the Safe City Camera Program.

1.2. Resolves to allocate new capital expenditure to upgrade the existing Safe City Camera Program, and the purchase and installation of new cameras to expand the network, and refers this expenditure to the 2025/26 draft Budget.

1.3. Requests City of Melbourne management undertakes a review of the Safe City Camera Program policies to consider:

1.3.1. permitting the use of camera footage by Council-authorized officers for the investigation and enforcement of incidents involving: - - - damage to public or private property and infrastructure defacement or destruction of the natural

environment acts of public nuisance, and other enforcement issues that result in costs to the organisation and ratepayers¹.

1.4. Requests City of Melbourne management investigate and provide advice on options regarding the use of video analytics² to enhance the effectiveness of the Safe City Camera Program.

1.5. Requests Management prepare a report to Council on the outcomes of the review by June 2025.

Background

1. The City of Melbourne's Safe City Cameras Program (SCCP) was established by resolution of Council in December 1995, with the initial cameras fully operational by February 1997. All major expansions of the network have been funded by and in partnership with the Victorian Government.

2. The upgrade and expansion of the SCCP aims to create a safer physical environment across the city. The key objectives of the program are to deter potential offenders, enable the early detection of criminal offences, anti-social behaviour, and assist with rapid emergency responses.

3. A previous Council resolution passed on 30 May 2023, copied below, currently limits the City's ability to invest in and effectively utilise the SCCP.

That Council:

1.1. Notes:

1.1.1. The expansion of the Safe City Camera Program (SCCP) since its inception in 1995.

1.1.2. That the draft Annual Plan and Budget for 2023–24 includes the proposed activity "In partnership with the Victorian Government, expand, enhance and upgrade the Safe City Camera program. This includes expanding the camera network to Lygon Street in Carlton, and investigating the use of the network to identify amenity

¹ This is a serious policy issue – but is supported by the Independent Members of the SCCP CCTV Audit Committee subject to appropriate amendments to the SCCP Manuals – and, it is suggested, subject to certain consultation taking place – see Footnote 8.

² The future use of Video analytics would be an important technological advancement that would enhance the effectiveness of the SCCP operations

issues that contribute to perceived community safety concerns³, such as cleanliness, graffiti and dumped rubbish⁴,” with a capital expenditure allocation of \$520,000.

1.1.3. That this proposed program takes the SCCP outside the central city, and anticipates a purpose beyond crime detection and emergency response⁵, both for the first time.

1.1.4. That all previous major expansions to the SCCP have been paid for by the State Government, often after a tragic event, with the Council paying for maintenance after installation. City of Melbourne 1 of 2 Future Melbourne Committee - Agenda 6 May 2025

1.2. Seeks confirmation from management on whether the State Government is willing to pay for the capital outlay of the expansion of the SCCP into Carlton and, where possible, requests that any agreement is reflected in the final 2023–24 Budget.

1.3. Maintains a policy of not funding new capital expenditure to expand the SCCP through Council funds and that any future expansions of the SCCP will therefore only be contemplated where the State Government⁶ provides the cost of purchase and installation of new cameras, with any exceptions to this policy to be determined by express decision of the Council in open session, on notice.

³ The Independent Members would see the issues around crime and safety taking preference in relation to “live-time” monitoring with appreciation that review of footage of other “amenity issues” can be investigated by way of review. It is appreciated that such use of the SCCP may save a considerable amount of Council/Ratepayer funds

⁴ The Independent Members are conscious that the issues around cleanliness, graffiti and dumped rubbish can impact on the ‘Perceptions of Safety’ as well as currently costing a significant amount of ratepayers and positive outcomes from the proposed positive use of the SCCP if successful may reduce current Council costs

⁵ At inception of the SCCP, the current Chairmen of the SCCP CCTV Audit Committee (then a member of the Melb. Safe City Executive) consulted with the President of the Victorian Council of Civil Liberties – now Liberty Victoria – regarding matters relevant to the proposed SCCP including its then stated purpose. It is our strong recommendation that it would be both appropriate and prudent to, again, consult with Liberty Victoria as to the proposed change, I have left a Voice Message for the current President, barrister Ms Michelle Bennett to contact me. Depending on the Resolution of Council and any direction to me on the matter, I am prepared to again consult with Liberty Victoria with the aim of having them “on side” with the proposed change to a wider role for the SCCP.

⁶ It is suggested that this part of the Motion be amended to extend the possible source of funds to State Government, Federal Government or stakeholder(s)”. For example, if there was a major terrorist incident in Melbourne the Federal Government was well make funds available as part of their National Counter-Terrorism Strategy.

