

29 July 2008

**NOTICE OF MOTION: CR NG,
STATUE OF DR SUN YAT-SEN IN COHEN PLACE PLAZA IN
THE CHINATOWN PRECINCT**

Motion

That Council approves the application for a statue of Dr Sun Yat-Sen in Cohen Place Plaza in the Chinatown Precinct as recommended by the Plaques and Memorials Committee on 6 June 2008 subject to the following requirements:

1. That the proposal is fully funded by the Dr Sun Yat-Sen Steering Committee. Any requirement for a financial contribution will require further approval by the Council.
2. An approved planning permit application is obtained, to allow for consultation and notification, as recommended by the Plaques and Memorials Committee.
3. Compliance with other recommendations of the Plaques and Memorials Committee in relation to:
 - 3.1. Design
 - 3.2. Standard and construction
 - 3.3. Siting
 - 3.4. Interpretation and signage

Background

Melbourne's Chinese community has had a presence in Melbourne that dates to the 1850s. The community's cultural and political values were strongly shaped by those of the Dr Sun Yat-Sen and he remains of ongoing relevance to Chinese community life in Melbourne.

The proposed site of Cohen Place Plaza is an appropriate location, because it is in the Chinatown Precinct and adjacent to the Chinese Museum. The memorial is consistent with the general purposes of the Museum, which is to preserve and display the history of Australians of Chinese descent.

The Dr Sun Yat-Sen Project Steering Committee have raised over \$200,000 to fund this.

Moved: Cr Ng