

## **Meeting: The Valley Tomorrow Community Reference Group #7**

**Date:** 06/05/20 Meeting began at 6.40pm

**Location:** Video conference call – Microsoft Teams

### **Attendees:**

- Alice Dore, Paul Hameister, Sally Irons, Justin Galligan, Tim Oman - Hamton (H)
- Georgia Willis - Moonee Valley Racing Club (MVRC)
- Jenny Nola – Save Moonee Ponds (SMP)
- Jenni Chappell - Office of Danny Pearson MP
- Colin Harris - Moonee Valley City Council (MVCC)
- Frank Dinoto - Office of Danny Pearson MP
- Allison Beaumont – (MV Families Facebook Group)
- Cr. Nicole Marshall - Moonee Valley City Council (MVCC)
- Meryn Pratt

### **Apologies:**

- Matthew Malseed (H)
- Michael Browell, Rozalee Erceg (MVRC)
- Sarah Ambrogio - Save Moonee Ponds (SMP)
- Sean Sammon - (LSAS)
- Michael Holtz - Moonee Ponds Primary School (MPPS)
- Mayor John Sipek - Moonee Valley City Council (MVCC)
- Cr Jim Cusack - Moonee Valley City Council (MVCC)
- Cr Cam Nation - Moonee Valley City Council (MVCC)
- Mayur Taylor - Development Manager, Development & Opportunity Funds (ISPT)
- Ilz Aslan – Senior Neighbourhood Engagement Officer (MVCC)

### **Agenda Items:**

1. Introductions/housekeeping
2. Review of Actions from last meeting
3. Status of Planning Permit Applications
4. Building 1 and 2 Plans
5. MVRC Projects – Tote Building
6. MVRC Project – Track & Grandstand
7. MVRC – Special Use Zone
8. MVP – Works onsite
9. Community Activations

### **1 Introduction to new members**

- 1.1 Alice Dore (AD) opened the meeting and welcomed the members.
- 1.2 AD introduced Justin Galligan (JG) and Tim Oman (TO) from Hamton to the group and advised they will be attending CRG meetings, along with Paul

Hameister, moving forward given AD is going on maternity leave (in June 2020).

## **2 Welcome and review actions from last meeting**

- 2.1 Colin Harris (CH) looking into if Council will meet with objectors prior to VCAT hearings. He advised given current circumstances VCAT procedures had changed and he will revert back shortly.
- 2.2 Allison Beaumont (AB) and Sarah Ambrogio (SA) to provide recommendations in writing to AD for consideration to publish more detailed information on The Valley of Tomorrow website with respect to dwelling numbers, heights and building footprints.
- 2.3 Georgia Willis (GW) advised all structural issues to the Childcare Centre wall had been addressed.

## **3 Status of Planning Permit Applications**

- 3.1 Planning permit amendment for Stage A Feehan Row is currently with Council for approval.
- 3.2 Stage B Thomas St S72 planning Amendment was approved by Council in March.
- 3.3 Stage B - B1 and B2 planning application, Council did not make a decision within the specified timeframes and Hamton therefore lodged an application to VCAT "for failure to comply with timeframes". A VCAT hearing is scheduled for early June. Plans have been substituted based on discussions with Council and content of objections received, including height changes and the provision of secondary basement access point. AD has offered SMP a separate meeting to run through plans in more detail. Jenny Nola (JN) has accepted the briefing, date TBC.

## **4 MVRC Projects – Tote Building/Masterplan (SUZ), Track and Grandstand**

- 4.1 The Tote Building is currently undergoing demolition and works are well underway. The cold shell of the new building will be complete in mid-June and will compliment Tote Park which is due for delivery in September. Due to the COVID-19 crisis and the associated restrictions the Club has paused its operational program for the Tote building. The mobilising of the operational venue will be reconsidered at the appropriate time.
- 4.2 The Masterplan for the Track and Grandstand is still being discussed with Council and the Club are currently waiting on feedback and CH advised they are currently working through matters. GW advised the process to move forward with the Masterplan is behind given COVID-19 due to crisis management activities. The Club will aim to present the draft Masterplan to the CRG in Q3. Collaboration is still continuing with the developer with respect to the infield and consultants with respect to the on-course dams and retaining wall solutions.

## **5 MVP Works Onsite**

- 5.1 Enabling works for Stage A are now complete and AD thanked the community for their patience with regards to changes access along McPherson St.
- 5.2 Phase 3 for Stage A will commence in Q3 with the builder commencing on site. JN asked if a builder had been appointed and AD confirmed they were very close and an announcement will be made shortly.
- 5.3 Tote Park works are ongoing and the park will be open in Spring.

## **6 Activations**

- 6.1 AD advised the Bean Bag cinema event scheduled for March has been postponed given COVID-19. The event had strong interest and ticket sales and we look forward to announcing a revised date in due course.

## **7 Question Time**

- 7.1 Nicole Marshall (NM) queried whether the Stage B Thomas St was a Planning Permit amendment or a Planning Scheme amendment. AD confirmed it was a Planning Permit amendment.
- 7.2 NM asked if the Construction Management Plan (CMP) would be published on the community website and AD confirmed the key details would be prior to construction commencing.
- 7.3 NM asked if CH could circulate the Thomas St Planning Permit Amendment.
- 7.4 CH advised the group the street naming process for part of McPherson St is still underway.

- 8 Meetings will continue to be held on Wednesdays at 6.30pm. The meeting concluded at 7.05pm. The next meeting is TBC.