3.1 REPORT ON SUBMISSIONS FOR DRAFT BUDGET 2022/23 (DW:YN)

Responsible Committee: Committee appointed by Council

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. receives the report from the Committee of Council (the Committee) on the submissions received for the proposed Budget 2022/23; and
- 2. having considered the Committee Report, endorses the recommendations of the Committee:
 - a. no other changes be made to the Adopted Budget 2022/23 resulting from the submissions; and
 - b. each submitter, be thanked for their submission to the Budget and be advised of the outcome of the reports to adopt the Budget, in writing.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Council's Community Engagement Framework, public notice of the proposed Budget & Plan was undertaken in May to seek feedback from the community.

The public notice allows written submissions on any proposal contained in the Draft Budget 2022/23. It outlined the requirement that written submissions had to reach the Council by close of business on 3 June 2022.

DISCUSSION

At the Council meeting held on 27 April 2022 Council appointed a Committee of Council, comprising all Councillors to consider submissions received on the proposed Budget (the Committee). Council received eleven (11) written submissions on the Budget through Shape Monash and Mail@Monash in response.

On Tuesday 14 June, the Submission meeting was held with 2 submitters presenting to the Committee in support of their written submission. The Committee received and considered all written submissions.

The Committee received copies of each written submission. In addition, it also received an officer report containing proposed responses to each of the written submissions, prior to the conduct of the Committee meeting.

The Committee report is attached to this report.

CONSULTATION

As required under the Community Engagement Framework, the proposed Budget were made available for public inspection between 27 April and 3 June 2022 at various locations and made available on-line. Community feedback on both documents were received through Shape Monash and via email at Mail@Monash.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that Council receives the Committee report, noting the receipt and consideration of the written and verbal submissions regarding the proposed Budget and endorses the recommendations of the Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Report on receipt and consideration of submissions on: Proposed 2022/23 Budget

Meeting held 7:00pm, Tuesday 14 June, 2022 (via Zoom was optional)

At the Council meeting held on 26 April 2022 Council appointed a Committee of Council, comprising all Councillors to consider submissions received on the proposed 2022/23 Budget.

PRESENT Cr S James (Mayor), T Samardzija (Deputy Mayor), S McCluskey, J Fergeus, B Little and N Luo

1. CHAIRPERSON

Mayor Stuart James

2. APOLOGIES:

Councillors R Paterson, A de Silva, P Klisaris, G Lake and T Zographos

3. THE SUBMISSIONS

There were two verbal presentations made to the Committee, with one other submitter scheduled to speak, however a late apology was received and noted.

All written submissions were presented to the Committee for consideration. Further discussion was held but no changes were made to the Adopted Budget 2022/23.

4. COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF THE SUBMISSIONS

The Committee considered 11 submissions and resolved to recommend that Council:

- 1. receives the report from the Committee of Council (the Committee) on the submissions received for the proposed Budget (the Committee Report);
- 2. thank each submitter for their submission to the Budget and be advised of the outcome of the reports to adopt the Budget, in writing; and
- 3. having considered the submissions, endorses the recommendations of the Committee:
 - a. that the Committee further considers all submissions and formulates a recommendation to Council at the next Council meeting..
- **5.** The Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 7:25pm