AGENDA

OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON

TUESDAY 8 MAY 2018

AT 6.30PM

SUMMONS

You are advised that a Special Meeting of Council has been called by Cr Desiato, Cr Kirkham, Cr Monteleone on Tuesday, 8 May 2018 in Council Chamber, 25 Ferres Boulevard, South Morang at 6:30pm for the transaction of the following business.

S OVERLAND
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

COUNCILLORS

KRIS PAVLIDIS	MAYOR, SOUTH WEST WARD
LAWRIE COX	SOUTH WEST WARD
STEVAN KOZMEVSKI	SOUTH WEST WARD
CAZ MONTELEONE	SOUTH WEST WARD
EMILIA LISA STERJOVA	DEPUTY MAYOR, NORTH WARD
TOM JOSEPH	NORTH WARD
RICKY KIRKHAM	NORTH WARD
SAM ALESSI	SOUTH EAST WARD
ALAHNA DESIATO	SOUTH EAST WARD
NORM KELLY	SOUTH EAST WARD
MARY LALIOS	SOUTH EAST WARD

SENIOR OFFICERS

SIMON OVERLAND	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
RUSSELL HOPKINS	DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES
STEVE O'BRIEN	DIRECTOR PLANNING AND MAJOR PROJECTS
NICK MANN	DIRECTOR CITY TRANSPORT & PRESENTATION
HELEN SUI	DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES
LIANA THOMPSON	DIRECTOR PARTNERSHIPS & ENGAGEMENT
MICHAEL TONTA	MANAGER GOVERNANCE

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Note:

At Council's discretion, the meeting may be closed in accordance with Section 89 of the Local Government Act 1989. The provision which is likely to be relied upon to enable closure is set out in each item. These reports are not available for public distribution.

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Councillors Desiato, Kirkham and Monteleone have given notice under section 84(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989* that a Special Meeting of Council has been called for 6:30pm on Tuesday 8 May 2018 to consider an item of business relating to a request to appoint a municipal monitor.

PREAMBLE

A Municipal Monitor is requested to assist Whittlesea City Council over the coming 18 months in improving governance and transparency.

Recent media reporting of Council's performance undermines public confidence in our ability to effectively govern.

As a growing municipality, Whittlesea City Council, Councillors and Staff must focus on meeting the strategic challenges facing our community in the short and long term.

The leadership provided by Council must be inclusive and respectful of the principles of democracy – whilst promoting an environment where a range of views are respected and tolerated.

Councillors must work collectively in shaping decisions that restore our reputation as a policy and strategic leader in the local government sector.

Without the appointment of a Municipal Monitor, Whittlesea City Council is at risk of becoming increasingly dysfunctional and unworkable.

MOTION

THAT Council resolve to request the Minister for Local Government to appoint a Municipal Monitor for a period of 18 months.

The Monitor is requested to review and report on the following areas:

a) Council governance processes and practices; and

b) Provide advice to Whittlesea City Council about governance improvements Council should make.

5. CLOSURE