# MINUTES - CONFIDENTIAL MEETING OF THE PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL - 19 JULY 2023



#### **MOVED Crs Pearl/Cunsolo**

That Council considers a confidential item of urgent business, being 'Independent Review' A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED unanimously.

## 17.2 Independent Review

#### **Purpose**

1.1 To investigate and address the recent issues encountered with the transfer of Kerbside Waste & Recycling Collection services.

Councillor Clark declared an interest in relation to item 17.2 Independent Review, due to their work commitments in the waste sector. Councillor Clark remained in the chamber for consideration of the item.

### MOVED Crs Pearl/Martin

#### That Council:

- Notes the recent issues encountered during the transfer and mobilisation of Kerbside Waste & Recycling Collection services from Four Seasons Waste to City Wide.
- 2. Expresses sincere apologies to the residents affected by the problems arising from the implementation of the Kerbside Waste & Recycling Collection services.
- Requests the City of Port Phillip's Audit and Risk Committee to coordinate an
  independent external review to assess the effectiveness, efficiency, and integrity of
  the Kerbside Waste & Recycling Collection contract and its implementation process
  from Four Seasons Waste to Citywide. The review must be conducted independently
  of Council.
- 4. Requests the review to comprehensively evaluate the entire lifecycle of the contract, commencing from the initial Request for Proposal (RFP) process to the transition, mobilisation, and ongoing operation. The primary goal of the review is to identify areas for improvement, process inefficiencies, systemic issues, and determine accountabilities throughout the process.
- 5. Requests the independent external reviewer to prepare a comprehensive report presenting their findings, recommendations, and suggested actions as soon as practicable.
- 6. The report should be submitted to Councillors via the Audit and Risk Committee for their thorough review and consideration. A public version of the report, suitably

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- redacted to protect sensitive information, will be made available to the public through a Council meeting as expeditiously as possible.
- 7. Requests the Audit and Risk Committee to review and make necessary amendments to the attached draft terms of reference for the review to ensure their suitability and appropriateness. The Audit and Risk Committee is to work with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and CEO to develop the final Terms of Reference.
- 8. Allocates the necessary budget to ensure that the review is conducted to an adequate standard by a qualified industry expert.
- 9. Requests that the review should in no way undermine or interfere with the current efforts to rectify the current remediation of the contract implementation.
- 10. Authorises the Mayor to release the details of this motion publicly when appropriate to do so.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED unanimously.

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That the meeting be reopened to members of the gallery.

A vote was taken and the MOTION was CARRIED unanimously.

Confirmed:	2 August 2023	
Chairperson		