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## **Consolidated Motions**

Under the MAV Rules 2013, matters submitted by Members for consideration at a meeting of State Council which relate to the same subject may be consolidated into a single matter (Rule 21.1.4).

Below are the Consolidated motions as passed by State Council, which includes a list of the motions which were consolidated.

### **Infrastructure contribution reforms**

#### **Resolution**

That the MAV works with and advocates to the Victorian government to:

- fully implement the recommendations of the Victorian Auditor General's Office (VAGO) report Managing Development Contributions (March 2020)
- improve the Infrastructure Contribution Plan (ICP) system, including for regional Victoria, to make it a viable planning tool for all councils to access

#### **Motions being consolidated:**

Funding for growth - Moreland City Council

Managing Developer Contributions - Wyndham City Council

### **State-wide Environmentally Sustainable Design provisions**

#### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria calls on the Victorian Government to:

- formalise and fully resource the work DELWP is undertaking with councils and the Council Alliance for a Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE) to develop a State-wide Environmentally Sustainable Design policy
- ensure that resulting provisions are strong, urgent, and ambitious enough to respond to the challenges of climate change and the welfare of future populations
- ensure that Environmentally Sustainable Design is addressed adequately through the Victoria Planning Provisions and not subsumed into a nation-wide building code reform process
- ensure that new ESD provisions work for all parts of the state and facilitates local variation through schedules to particular provisions as determined by councils

#### **Motions being consolidated:**

Environmentally sustainable design state-wide planning provision - Melbourne City Council

Stronger State-Wide Environmentally sustainable design policy - Moreland City Council

## Waste and Resource Recovery advocacy

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### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria write to the Ministers for Energy, Environment & Climate Change and Local Government to:

- Acknowledge the Victorian Government's commitment to reduce landfill under their Circular Economy Policy
- Acknowledge the contributions by local governments and communities from across the state, towards the State Government's Sustainability Fund (Landfill Levy), which as of June 2019 had accrued over \$400 million
- Call on the Victorian Government to provide greater investment through the Sustainability Fund to support local governments' current waste and recycling collection services and the necessary processing infrastructure and markets to transition to the new 4-service waste and recycling collection system
- Call on the Victorian Government, through the Waste and Resource Recovery Groups, to accelerate alternatives to landfill including making Advanced Waste Processing facilities accessible to more Victorian councils
- Call on the Victorian Government to develop and implement an education campaign to address the waste and litter impacts of day-trippers, travellers, and campers

### Motions being consolidated:

Landfill and Waste Reform - Brimbank City Council  
Waste and recycling outcomes - Hobsons Bay City Council  
Waste education - Mitchell Shire Council

## State-led major projects

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### **Resolution**

That the MAV advocates:

- that councils be formally engaged as strategic partners for major transport projects within their municipal boundaries, to help facilitate optimal design outcomes for communities
- State-led major projects must require deliberative and meaningful community engagement
- that improved community engagement is undertaken on the Suburban Rail Link, Airport Rail Link and Calder Freeway upgrade projects

### Motions being consolidated:

Melbourne Airport Rail Link, Western Rail Plan & Suburban Rail Loop- Significant Infrastructure - Brimbank City Council  
Calder Freeway Upgrades - Brimbank City Council  
State Government-led major projects - Stonnington City Council

## Improvements to pedestrian and cycling connections and safety

### **Resolution**

That the MAV call on the Victorian Government to improve cycling and pedestrian safety, reduce congestion, and encourage sustainable and integrated transport options through:

- Financial support for designated cycling lanes, separated from traffic and pedestrians, as well as broader pedestrian and cycling improvement works, such as shared trails
- Legislative change to lower speed limits to promote walkability to help encourage a shift from cars to active transport
- Prevention of heavy vehicles using urban local roads as through routes
- Better infrastructure on State owned roads

### Motions being consolidated:

Cycling and pedestrian safety - Maribyrnong City Council

Improvements to pedestrian and cycling connections - Hobsons Bay City Council

## Gambling

### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) State Council advocates to the Victorian Government to implement evidence-based harm reduction measures to address the concerning losses on Electronic Gambling Machines since gaming venues reopened in November 2020 including; immediately reducing gaming venue operating hours; introduction of \$1 maximum bets; \$200 EFTPOS daily withdrawal limits and a 'sinking cap' on the number of electronic gaming machines in Victoria, and requiring venues to include sufficient detail in their publicly available community benefit statements to allow a reasonable person to understand the specific nature of each community contribution (e.g. prevent venues from using categories such as "donations/gifts/sponsorships").

### Motions being consolidated:

Reducing harm from Electronic Gaming Machines to support recovery from the COVID-19 crisis - Brimbank City Council

Increased transparency of community contributions from electronic gaming machine (EGM) venues - Hobsons Bay City Council

Reduction in the Electronic Gaming Machines cap - Kingston City Council



## Youth Taskforce

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### Resolution

That the MAV convenes a Youth Taskforce to address the challenges facing youth including unemployment and mental health and calls upon the State to:

1. Introduce youth employment targets at all levels of government
2. Provide support to reduced public transport costs for unemployed youth attending job interviews
3. Develop local initiatives for creation of jobs and internships
4. Fund and deliver increased preventative and responsive mental health services and programs

### Motions being consolidated:

Youth Employment Taskforce - Yarra City Council

Youth Mental Health - Hobsons Bay City Council

## Age Care

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### Resolution

That the MAV advocates to the Commonwealth and State Government to:

- Recognise the role of local government as a stakeholder due to the significant role it has in planning for their older residents, regardless of whether they are a service provider or not.
- Ensure older Victorians, especially those experiencing vulnerability, are provided with support to access high quality services when and where they need them.
- Provide additional targeted support, to people, including older residents who are experiencing vulnerability and isolation due to the impacts of COVID, including an ongoing commitment to continuing funding of the Community Activation and Social Isolation Initiative

### Motions being consolidated:

Aged Care Services - Bayside City Council

Aged Care Quality and Safety - Darebin City Council

Community Activation and Social Isolation Initiative Request for extension to funding - Strathbogie Shire Council

Targeted support for vulnerable older people during COVID recovery - Hobsons Bay City Council



## Community Hubs and Early Educational Services

### **Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the State Government to:

- Increase funding for Early Education services infrastructure requirements to deliver on the State Government's kindergarten reform agenda, including funding to establish Community Hubs, for the co-location of key community services.

### Motions being consolidated:

Funding to support the establishment of Community Hubs - Nillumbik Shire Council  
Early Years Infrastructure Strategy - Boroondara City Council  
3 year old Kindergarten Reform - Whittlesea City Council

## COVID-19 Health, Wellbeing and Economic Response Packages for Local Government

### **Resolution**

That the MAV:

1. Writes to the Prime Minister, Premier of Victoria, Treasurer, and Ministers for Health, Jobs and Local Government acknowledging the significant health, wellbeing and economic impacts the prolonged, changing and evolving COVID-19 lockdown directives have continued to have on regional and metropolitan communities, and the financial impacts that Victorian councils have absorbed and experienced over the course of the pandemic, including varying socio-economic consequences, associated health impacts, border restrictions, community lockdowns and community and business impacts.
2. Calls on the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments to partner with local government to develop, invest and support dedicated COVID-19 Health, Wellbeing and Economic Response Packages to further stimulate the economy, improve employment growth, and respond to the varying socio-economic consequences of the pandemic for particular regions including:
  - Incentivise visitation and attraction
  - Develop local Job Prospectuses to improve and attract employment diversification
  - Improve access to technology to encourage business relocation
  - Promote '20-minute city thinking'

### Motions being consolidated:

Economic Wellbeing (COVID recovery) - Maribryong City Council  
COVID-19 Health, Wellbeing and Economic Response Packages for Local Government Areas - Brimbank City Council

## Social and Affordable Housing

### **Resolution**

That the MAV welcome the Big Housing Build and advocate to the Victorian Government that they work with councils to build on further opportunities including:

- Identification and allocation of government and other land suitable for housing
- Addressing local housing needs for key workers and those in creative and hospitality industries
- Improving wrap around outreach services for people with complex needs experiencing homelessness
- Exploring the potential benefits of a state-wide affordable housing levy
- Implementing planning mechanisms, including inclusionary zoning, that enable councils to seek mandatory affordable housing contributions from developers in a form directed by council of either land, dwellings, or cash contributions

### Motions being consolidated:

Inclusionary zoning for social housing - Yarra City Council  
Housing Affordability - Maribyrnong City Council  
Social and Affordable Housing - Brimbank City Council  
Funding for Assertive Homelessness Outreach - Boroondara City Council  
Provision of Affordable Housing - Melbourne City Council  
Mandatory planning scheme provisions to support affordable housing - Moreland City Council

## Support for Electric Vehicles

### **Resolution**

That the MAV calls on the Victorian Government to:

- Buy only electric buses from 1 July 2021 and to replace all diesel buses by 2030
- Support further rollout of publicly available charging infrastructure across Victoria, with particular emphasis on strategic networks to and from tourist destinations
- Work with the MAV and councils to act on the findings of the Parliamentary Inquiry into Electric Vehicles, including:
  - exploring the feasibility of joint State/Local Government procurement of electric vehicles
  - promoting local manufacturing of electric vehicles
  - improving electric vehicle infrastructure and supporting infrastructure across Victoria

### Motions being consolidated:

Electric Bus - Maribyrnong City Council  
Introduction of Road Usage Tax for Electric Vehicles - Glen Eira City Council  
Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and manufacturing - Darebin City Council  
Establishing working group to explore feasibility of State/Local Government procurement of Electric Vehicles - Darebin City Council  
Electric Car Recharging Stations - Glenelg Shire Council

**Coordinated policy and advocacy on Climate Change**

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**Resolution**

That the MAV formally engage and work with the Victorian Greenhouse Alliances in the development of a robust policy and advocacy program relating to a sector-driven Climate Change policy and strategy position.

**Motions being consolidated:**

Climate Change policy and advocacy development - Bayside City Council

MAV engagement with Greenhouse Alliances - Mornington Peninsula Shire Council

Climate Change policy and advocacy development - Kingston City Council

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## **Motions of state-wide significance and related to the MAV Strategy**

### **Cycling and Pedestrian Safety**

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Submitting Council: Maribyrnong City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Improvements to pedestrian and cycling connections and safety.

### **Economic Wellbeing (COVID Recovery)**

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Submitting Council: Maribyrnong City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Covid-19 Health, Wellbeing and Economic Response Packages.

### **Inclusionary zoning for social housing**

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Submitting Council: Yarra City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Social and Affordable Housing.

### **Aged Care Services**

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Submitting Council: Bayside City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Age Care.

### **Climate Change policy and advocacy development**

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Submitting Council: Bayside City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Coordinated policy and advocacy on Climate Change.

### **Planning Controls**

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Submitting Council: Bayside City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV call upon the State Government to reform the Planning and Environment Act 1987 and the Planning Scheme Amendment process to provide councils with greater ability to determine the mandatory built form planning requirements for its local communities.

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### Housing Affordability

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Submitting Council: Maribyrnong City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Social and Affordable Housing.

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### Transport Connections

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Submitting Council: Maribyrnong City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV call on the Victorian Government to improve public transport through provision of better bus routes, more frequent trams and train services, better integrated transport hubs, and improving connections to areas that are underserved. Investigate activating river transport as an option where it might be viable to do so.

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### Electric Vehicle Tax

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Submitting Council: Maribyrnong City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV call on the Victorian Government to reverse its decision to introduce a tax on electric and other zero emission vehicles

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### Electric Bus

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Submitting Council: Maribyrnong City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Support for Electric Vehicles.

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### Electricity network upgrades and solar export limitations

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Submitting Council: Surf Coast Shire Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the state government and electricity distribution companies for increased investment in electricity network upgrades, and greater clarity around the long term plan to reduce the extent of solar export limitations currently experienced by residents and businesses across Victoria.

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### Financial assistance - implementation of Local Government Act 2020 Act

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Submitting Council: Surf Coast Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the state government for financial assistance to be provided to Councils now incurring substantial costs associated with implementing initiatives required in the Local Government Act 2020.

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### Introduction of Road Usage Tax for Electric Vehicles

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Submitting Council: Glen Eira City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Support for Electric Vehicles.

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### Siting of renewable energy developments

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Submitting Council: Moyne Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That the MAV advocate to the Planning Minister and Energy and Environment Minister that a strategic approach be taken by the state government to the siting of renewable energy developments and electricity transmission infrastructure across Victoria having particular regard to the cumulative social, economic and environmental impacts these developments have on local communities.

The strategic approach needs to recognise that the siting of renewable energy developments across Victoria results in:

- Greater cumulative social and environmental impacts;
- Lack of social license and community benefits for the towns directly impacted by turbines and that;
  - Local content percentages should be mandated to gain maximum economic benefits for the host towns and regions; and
  - Underground transmission viability must be assessed as a viable alternative, based on whole of life economics of infrastructure not just construction costs.

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### Covid-19 Health, Wellbeing and Economic Response Packages for Local Government Areas

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Covid-19 Health, Wellbeing and Economic Response Packages for Local Government.

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### Melbourne Airport Rail Link, Western Rail Plan & Suburban Rail Loop-Significant Infrastructure

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion State-led major projects.

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### Calder Freeway Upgrades

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion State-led major projects.

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### Jobs and Skills Partnerships for Local Government Areas

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

**Resolution**

The MAV State Council writes to the Premier of Victoria, Treasurer, and Ministers for Jobs, Innovation & Trade, Training & Skills, Employment, and Local Government to:

- I. Acknowledge the Victorian Government's investments throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic to improve local employment, skill and learning opportunities for Victorians.
- II. Call on the Victorian Government to establish and administer dedicated new Jobs and Skills Partnerships with Local Government Areas (LGAs), which can help identify, align and integrate, and coordinate job, skill, and learning pathways for local communities across Victoria in response to COVID-19.
- III. Call on new Local Jobs and Skills Partnerships to be responsible for the review, coordination and monitoring of Federal, State and local government efforts and resources, including social services, libraries and neighbourhood houses; right through to schools, TAFE, and higher education; as to ensure meaningful pathways are facilitated to link with employment opportunities associated with local infrastructure projects, as well as with respective business and industry needs.



## Extension of JobKeeper, JobSeeker, Business Support Fund and Working for Victoria Programs

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

### Resolution

The Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) State Council writes to the Prime Minister, Federal Treasurer, Premier of Victoria, Victorian Treasurer, and Ministers for Jobs, Innovation & Trade, and Local Government to:

- I. Acknowledge and commend the respective initiatives of the Federal Government and Victorian Government to support and mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic on local communities
- II. Call on the Federal Government to retain and expand the JobKeeper and JobSeeker initiatives for at least the duration of 2021
- III. Call on the Victorian Government to retain and expand the Business Support Fund and Working for Victoria Programs for at least the duration of 2021
- IV. Acknowledge the various efforts and initiatives which the local government sector has implemented in response to COVID-19, that have included rate deferrals, and fees and charges waivers; to support respective local communities
- V. Encourage the Federal and Victorian Government to partner with the local government sector, to help integrate, align and coordinate respective support programs and initiatives, as part of ongoing COVID-19 response and recovery efforts

## Social and Affordable Housing

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

### Consolidated

See consolidated motion Social and Affordable Housing.

## Reducing harm from Electronic Gaming Machines to support recovery from the COVID-19 crisis

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

### Consolidated

See consolidated motion Gambling.

### Key Partnerships for Mental Health Services in the Community

Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

#### **Resolution**

That Municipal Association of Victoria State Council write to the Premier and Ministers for Mental Health and Local Government to:

- I. Acknowledge and welcome the findings and recommendations contained in the Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System
- II. Welcome the State Government's announcement regarding the rollout of Mental Health and Wellbeing Services across Victoria, including across 6 local government priority areas identified from a total of 60 eventual new sites to be rolled out.
- III. Call on the State Government to formally engage and partner with Local Government Areas and Councils across regions where Mental Health and Wellbeing Services have been announced for priority rollout by 2022, to help inform the design, delivery, location and resourcing of services.

### Climate Emergency, Environment and Sustainability

Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

#### **Resolution**

That Municipal Association of Victoria State Council write to the Premier and Ministers for Energy, Environment & Climate Change to:

- I. Acknowledge and welcome the Victorian Government's respective commitments, investments and initiatives to date in response to ongoing climate change, environmental and sustainability issues
- II. Call on the Victorian Government to bolster its efforts, and to declare a climate emergency
- III. Call on the Victorian Government to provide increased investment towards energy, circular economy and conservation initiatives that help to further reduce carbon emissions, and protect, enhance and restore environmental and sustainability outcomes across local communities as part of COVID-19 response and recovery efforts

### Landfill and Waste Reform

Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Waste and Resource Recovery advocacy.

### Support for people with autism

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Submitting Council: Brimbank City Council

#### Resolution

That Municipal Association of Victoria State Council write to the Federal Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme and Victorian Minister for Disability, Ageing and Carers to:

- I. Seek increased Government investment to improve information and access to autism assessment, diagnosis, early intervention and supports.
- II. Seek development of programs to increase employment of autistic Victorians.
- III. Undertake programs to increase skills and knowledge across key workforces including health, mental health, public transport, justice, housing, family and community service to meet the needs of people with autism.
- IV. Call on the Federal and Victorian Governments to partner with the Local Government sector to develop, invest and support improved design and access of public places to accommodate the physical, sensory and safety needs of people with autism.

### Lifesaving Club & Coastguard Funding

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Submitting Council: Frankston City Council

#### Resolution

That the MAV advocate to the Victorian Government to provide additional funding to Councils with coastlines and their affiliated Not For profits, such as Coastguard and lifesaving clubs, to improve sustainability of volunteering in the sphere of marine search and rescue; and their safety and life saving capacity for the benefit of all communities.

### National Integrity Commission

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Submitting Council: Frankston City Council

#### Resolution

That Council calls for the establishment of a unified approach to integrity bodies between the Commonwealth, State and Local Governments which provides a consistent outcome at all levels and the application of the same standards and accountability consequences for breaches.

### Enforcement of Noxious Weed Control

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Submitting Council: Colac Otway Shire Council

#### Resolution

That the Municipal Association of Victoria call on the State Government to properly enforce the requirements of the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994 to control noxious weeds on private land and to also increase the resourcing of weed control on Crown land.

### **Maternal & Child Health (MCH) MAV/State Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and joint funding arrangements**

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Submitting Council: Maroondah City Council

#### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria advocates to the Victorian Government to prioritise the renegotiation of the Municipal Association of Victoria-State Government Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) given identified common issues impacting local government MCH services during the life of the last MOU and the short, medium and long term impacts of COVID-19.

- Key Age and Stage (KAS) consultations cannot be delivered within the prescribed times, due largely to the mandated inclusion of additional questions and components of each consultation. These are well justified and are supported, however there is now insufficient time to complete these in a responsible way and to have a meaningful conversation with parents within the allocated KAS timeframes.
- Local Government is bearing more than 50% contribution to costs of providing the MCH service.
- A MCH workforce strategy is urgently needed to ensure a well-trained, flexible and available workforce to maintain on-going delivery of the MCH service.
- Despite an in-principle agreement to provide the MCH service in an equal partnership, this is not the experience of local government, with limited opportunity to manage the introduction of change.
- Additional pressures experienced as a result of COVID-19 be taken into account to ensure that MCH services are properly funded to immediately and safely prioritise and address key risks for families, especially those that have been exacerbated by the pressures of the pandemic, such as increases in mental health issues, escalating family violence incidents, an increase in Child Protection Notifications, early discharge, complex family dynamics and missed KAS visits.

### **Aged Care Quality and safety**

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Submitting Council: Darebin City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Age Care.

### **Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and manufacturing**

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Submitting Council: Darebin City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Support for Electric Vehicles.

### **Establishing working group to explore feasibility of State/Local Government procurement of Electric Vehicle**

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Submitting Council: Darebin City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Support for Electric Vehicles.

### **Advisory Structure for Cultural Diversity and Inclusion**

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Submitting Council: Darebin City Council

#### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) establish an advisory structure or mechanism formed with people with lived experience from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds to inform its work relating to cultural diversity and inclusion.

### **Establishing working group to address dumped rubbish**

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Submitting Council: Darebin City Council

#### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV):

1. Establish a taskforce group to work with State government and stakeholders to address the state-wide and increasing impact of dumped rubbish and graffiti, including community safety concerns arising from this issue
2. Advocate to the State Council Government to increase the budget for the maintenance of VicTrack land to more comprehensively manage these issues

### **Advisory Structure for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples**

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Submitting Council: Darebin City Council

#### **Resolution**

That the MAV establish an advisory structure and/or representative voice to Local Government comprising of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples from across Victoria to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have a say about Councils' decisions that affect them and to guide Councils' broader work relating to First Nations peoples, truth telling, sovereignty, treaty-making and addressing systemic racism.

### **Aiming for Zero Waste by 2030**

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Submitting Council: East Gippsland Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That MAV advocate for a coordinated approach across local governments in Victoria to adopt a Zero Waste by 2030 policy promoting and using local and domestic waste processing and recovery initiatives funded through current municipal land-fill levies.

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### **Prioritisation of township protection through vegetation management**

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Submitting Council: East Gippsland Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That MAV advocates to the Victorian Government to prioritise the protection of townships through the strategic, mosaic or planned burning and vegetation management and redirecting resources to concentrate on bushfire mitigation measures for the protection of local communities and assets over planned burns on uninhabited areas.

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### **Australian Covid-19 Vaccination Program and the role of local government in Victoria**

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Submitting Council: Whittlesea City Council

#### **Resolution**

The MAV State Council writes to the Premier of Victoria and Ministers for Health, Jobs and Local Government to call upon Federal and State governments to work with local government in the roll-out of the Covid-19 mass vaccination programs.

Council is concerned that not enough planning is being done at a municipal level to adequately support a mass vaccination program in the community and to ensure that those at risk and the general community have access to a Covid-19 vaccine service provider.

Council is also concerned that unsustainable systems are being set up that will not service the community into the future as new Covid-19 scenarios evolve potentially requiring regular booster doses and new vaccinations as the virus changes.

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### **Funding for Assertive Homelessness Outreach**

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Submitting Council: Boroondara City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Social and Affordable Housing.

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### **Heritage Protection for Standalone Heritage Places**

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Submitting Council: Boroondara City Council

#### **Resolution**

The Municipal Association of Victoria calls on the Minister for Planning to review the Planning Practice Note 01: Applying the Heritage Overlay (August 2018) to:

- a. Introduce an additional category or grading of heritage place that would allow for the site specific protection of places that are currently deemed 'contributory' but cannot be protected through a heritage precinct overlay.
- b. Provide greater clarification and guidance for the assessment of heritage places including establishing thresholds and undertaking comparative analysis.

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### Electricity Safety (Electric Line Clearance)

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Submitting Council: Boroondara City Council

#### Resolution

That the Municipal Association of Victoria:

1. Provide a combined local government sector response regarding canopy losses and impacts to environmental and amenity values in meeting vegetation regulatory compliance near powerlines in Melbourne's low bushfire risk areas due to increased enforcement of legacy regulations by ESV.
2. Engage with the Australian Energy Regulator to seek transparency in pricing proposals from network providers demonstrating network infrastructure upgrades.

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### Early Years Infrastructure Strategy

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Submitting Council: Boroondara City Council

#### Consolidated

See consolidated motion Community Hubs and Early Educational Services.

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### Government funding of joint services and programs

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Submitting Council: Greater Bendigo City Council

#### Resolution

That this State Council meeting calls on the Victorian Government to increase its contributions to services and programs undertaken jointly with local government in order to redress the historic and growing funding imbalance and to better reflect the true costs incurred and relieve the growing financial hardship caused to Councils.

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### Reduce evidence requirements for payment of claims following natural disasters

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Submitting Council: South Gippsland Shire Council

#### Resolution

That the MAV State Council make representation on behalf of all Councils to the State Government, to reduce the extensive burden of evidence required for the payment of claims and ability to tender for works, thereby expediting the process for Council's to receive reimbursement to respond to natural disasters.

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### 3 Year Old Kindergarten Reform

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Submitting Council: Whittlesea City Council

#### Consolidated

See consolidated motion Community Hubs and Early Educational Services.



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### Environmentally sustainable design statewide planning provision

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Submitting Council: Melbourne City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion State-wide Environmentally Sustainable Design provisions.

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### Planning scheme amendment approvals and the role of planning frameworks in economic recovery

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Submitting Council: Melbourne City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV State Council:

1. Notes the aspirations of the State Government to use planning mechanisms to facilitate development, and notes that council-initiated planning scheme amendments are almost invariably economic enablers, underpinned as they are by significant investment, research and modelling to provide planning certainty and clarity to land owners and the community.
2. Notes that planning scheme amendments adopted by councils but held up by the state can become economic inhibitors, by placing significant burdens on councils, developers and members of the public, especially where developers are required to adhere to existing planning provisions as well as adopted seriously entertained planning provisions; a duplication of regulation, effort and time.
3. Requests that the MAV Board consider the creation of a tool or report card that can better illustrate the problems of Ministerial, Planning Panels Victoria and DELWP accountability in strategic planning, that collates and measures the impost to councils, the economic opportunity costs, and the quantity and wait times of planning scheme amendments across the sector generally.
4. Notes the offer by the City of Melbourne to consider seed funding towards such a research project.

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### Provision of Affordable Housing

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Submitting Council: Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Social and Affordable Housing.

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### Responsibility for electric line clearance

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Submitting Council: Yarra Ranges Shire Council

#### Resolution

That the Municipal Association of Victoria call upon the Victorian Government to develop and implement a process that would enable individual councils to apply to the Minister in respect of their responsibilities for electric line clearance in declared areas and seek approval to:

- (a) increase their declared area; or
- (b) transfer responsibility to distribution companies but require distribution companies to liaise with Council in respect of standards, methods and approaches to line clearance.

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### Immunisation funding to Local Government

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Submitting Council: Yarra Ranges Shire Council

#### Resolution

That MAV advocate to the Department of Health to undertake a review of funding to local government for provision of immunisation services, with a focus on ensuring funding that keeps pace with the cost of service delivery.

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### Fire hydrant maintenance costs

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Submitting Council: Yarra Ranges Shire Council

#### Resolution

That MAV advocate to state government for the transfer of cost of inspection and maintenance of fire hydrants and fire plugs to the relevant water authority responsible for maintaining them.

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### Farm Land Rate Increases

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Submitting Council: Moorabool Shire Council

#### Resolution

Requests the State Government to develop a working group of Councils and representatives of the farming community to make recommendations on how the impact of these significant annual value movements can be better managed to ensure farming remains a viable lifestyle and occupation for future generations.

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### Disability and physical access

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Submitting Council: Moreland City Council

#### Resolution

That the MAV calls on the State Government to:

- Review, improve and strengthen relevant legislation, Australian Standards and building codes to increase accessibility for people with a disability, with a focus on the retail sector. A reliance on advocacy, complaint-based legislation and building codes has done little to improve accessibility for many people with disability particular in retail outlets.
- Support businesses through awareness raising and resources to become more accessible.
- Uphold Article 9 of the Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, so that all people with a disability have the right to freedom of movement and equal access to all aspects of social, commercial and community life.
- Promote the economic and employment benefits for better accessibility in the retail sector.

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### Stronger State-Wide Environmentally sustainable design policy

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Submitting Council: Moreland City Council

#### Consolidated

See consolidated motion State-wide Environmentally Sustainable Design provisions.

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### Mandatory planning scheme provisions to support affordable housing

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Submitting Council: Moreland City Council

#### Consolidated

See consolidated motion Social and Affordable Housing.

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### Funding for growth

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Submitting Council: Moreland City Council

#### Consolidated

See consolidated motion Infrastructure contribution reforms.

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### Rooming House Regulations

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Submitting Council: Glen Eira City Council

#### Resolution

That the Municipal Association of Victoria advocates to the State Government to reform the regulation of Rooming Houses to improve affordability and arrangements for control of Rooming House standards.

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**Increase tree canopy coverage across urban areas for improved environmental, health and wellbeing outcomes**

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the Victorian Government to provide funding for the planting, replacement and maintenance of trees in urban areas throughout Victoria to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and the urban heat island effect, and increase health and wellbeing outcomes in line with a key recommendation of the Victorian Draft 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy.

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**Commence delivery of the Melbourne Metro 2 Project**

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the Victorian Government to bring forward the funding and planning for Melbourne Metro 2 and ensure its completion prior to the building of the outer suburban rail line to reduce congestion, encourage sustainable and integrated transport options and increase health and wellbeing outcomes. This work should also consider a new passenger train link on the existing freight train line from Sunshine to Newport with a new train station to be built in the vicinity of Altona North/Brooklyn and reinstatement of a train station in Altona North on the Werribee line.

As part of this project, bridge the critical connection between Wyndham Vale and Werribee lines to provide increased opportunities for outer suburban commuters to access employment and study

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**Improvements to pedestrian and cycling connections**

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Improvements to pedestrian and cycling connections and safety.

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**Reshape the Melbourne metropolitan bus network**

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the Victorian Government to undertake a comprehensive review of the Melbourne metropolitan bus network to reduce congestion, encourage sustainable and integrated transport options and increase health and wellbeing outcomes in line with a key recommendation of the Victorian Draft 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy.

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### Increased transparency of community contributions from electronic gaming machine (EGM) venues

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Gambling.

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### Waste and recycling outcomes

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Waste and Resource Recovery advocacy.

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### Funding to support councils to meet their obligations under the Gender Equality Act 2020

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the Victorian Government to provide funding to support councils, in the way of resourcing for a Diversity Officer, in meeting their obligations under the Gender Equality Act 2020 and ensuring gender equality is met for all community members.

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### Coastal and Marine Management Plans

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

**Resolution**

That the MAV advocates to the Victorian Government to fund and take a coordinated, integrated approach to planning and management for coastal councils in the preparation, delivery and maintenance of their Coastal and Marine Management Plans.

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### State Government-led major projects

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Submitting Council: Stonnington City Council

**Consolidated**

See consolidated motion State-led major projects.

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### Serviced Apartments

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Submitting Council: Stonnington City Council

**Resolution**

Serviced apartments to be declared on Section 32 statements.

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### Congestion Levy

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Submitting Council: Stonnington City Council

#### Resolution

That State Council resolves that the congestion levy as currently configured not be expanded, and that the congestion levy model be reviewed including to drive greater financial returns to local government for the purposes of investment in active transport.

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### Rate waivers on new and existing social housing

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Submitting Council: Stonnington City Council

#### Resolution

Advocate to the State Government to review the decision to provide rate waivers to new and existing social housing, noting the issue of cost shifting and the potential for increased burden on the rest of the rate base.

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### Rural and Metropolitan Rates Divide

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Submitting Council: Mildura Rural City Council

#### Resolution

That the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) calls on the Australian Government both increase financial assistance grants income overall, and to address the rural and metropolitan rates divide that results in an imbalance in the capacity of rural councils to service communities and rural ratepayers to service rates.

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### Asset sustainability funding to stimulate economy

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Submitting Council: Mildura Rural City Council

#### Resolution

That the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) strongly urge the Victorian State Government, as a matter of urgency, to provide Asset Sustainability Funding to Local Government. This funding would assist in bridging the asset renewal gap experienced by Local Government, and encourage infrastructure development to stimulate the economy and assist local communities recover from the COVID Pandemic.

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### Community Activation and Social Isolation (CASI) Initiative - Request for extension to funding

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Submitting Council: Strathbogje Shire Council

#### Consolidated

See consolidated motion Age Care.

### Fire prevention funding

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Submitting Council: Mitchell Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria call on the State Government to address the lack of funding allocated to fire prevention by various State Government departments and agencies. At a time when Council are trying to do additional works and increase spending to make our communities safer, there appears to be no corresponding funding increases from the State Government.

### Waste education

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Submitting Council: Mitchell Shire Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Waste and Resource Recovery advocacy.

### Roads to Recovery Funding

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Submitting Council: Mitchell Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria call on the State and Federal Governments to increase funding to support Local Government to maintain, repair and replace local roads though increased funding.

### MAV engagement with Greenhouse Alliances

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Submitting Council: Mornington Peninsula Shire Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Coordinated policy and advocacy on Climate Change



### Support for People Impacted by Flammable Cladding

Submitting Council: Kingston City Council

#### **Resolution**

That the MAV advocate to the State Government to:

- provide funding for financial support for people impacted by flammable cladding potentially through establishment of a Cladding relief fund (for buildings/rectification works which fall outside the scope of funding currently provided by Cladding Safety Victoria);
- create a streamlined small claims process re cladding issues providing impacted residents to access to funds (i.e. not incumbent on Council to support them);
- provide funding for ESM (essential safety measures) maintenance and rectification works related to fire safety issues brought about directly as a result of combustible cladding matters; and
- establish ESM maintenance providers to be registered with the VBA (Victorian Building authority) in order to make them responsible for maintenance shortfalls which related directly to fire safety/cladding matters.

### Managing Developer Contributions

Submitting Council: Wyndham City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Infrastructure contribution reforms.

### Securing Land for Schools

Submitting Council: Wyndham City Council

#### **Resolution**

The MAV calls on the Victorian Government to:

- take steps to meet their obligations to ensure that there are sufficient numbers of school places available and accessible to the community in areas where the private sector fails to provide planned numbers of non-government schools, and
- ensure that land allocated for non-government schools in Precinct Structure Plans is utilised for the intended purpose of providing schools for communities, and
- where a private sector buyer cannot be found to develop land which is designated for a non-government school in a Precinct Structure Plan, the Victorian Government acquire that land and construct a government school to meet local demand for school places.

## **Motions not relevant to the MAV Strategy**

### **Youth employment taskforce**

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Submitting Council: Yarra City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Youth taskforce.

### **Off Leash Areas for Greyhounds**

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Submitting Council: Glen Eira City Council

#### **Resolution**

That the Municipal Association of Victoria advocates to the State Government to amend the Domestic Animals Act 1994 to allow councils to establish designated public areas on Council land where greyhounds can be exercised off leash.

### **National Parks and Miscellaneous Land Native Vegetation Offset Plan**

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Submitting Council: Frankston City Council

#### **Resolution**

Advocate to State Government to review the Native Vegetation Offset requirements to make it more feasible for both Council's and private property owners to establish Offset sites on their land, particularly with regards to revegetation.

### **Boat Licences**

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Submitting Council: Frankston City Council

#### **Resolution**

To advocate to the State Government to legislate and implement a training requirement and practical test to acquire a boat license. The ability to swim must be a mandatory requirement.

### **Skid Races**

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Submitting Council: Frankston City Council

#### **Resolution**

That MAV advocate to the State Government for the introduction of legislation to create an offence for spectators or other people to attend a hoon event.

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### Give Them A Future

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Submitting Council: Queenscliffe Borough Council

#### **Resolution**

We request the MAV advocate to all levels of Government and politicians to adopt a unified approach to transitioning refugees on Temporary Protection Visas or Safe Haven Enterprise Visas to Permanent Protection Visas as quickly as possible. It is in the best interest for ensuring a cohesive, strong, and safe nation.

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### Targeted support for vulnerable older people during COVID recovery

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Age Care.

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### Youth Mental Health

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Submitting Council: Hobsons Bay City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Youth Taskforce.

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### Deputy Mayor Allowances

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Submitting Council: Kingston City Council

#### **Resolution**

That the MAV advocate to the Minister for Local Government:

- to immediately initiate a request to the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal to make the first Determination of Mayoral, Deputy Mayor and Councillor allowances under section 39 of the Local Government Act 2020
- to allow Councils to determine a separate allowance for the Deputy Mayor role for the 2021 /2022 year, subject to a Determination by the Victorian Independent Remuneration Tribunal.

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### Reduction in the Electronic Gaming Machines cap

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Submitting Council: Kingston City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Gambling.

### **Ownership and/or Management Of Not-For-Profit Clubs With Poker Machines In Victoria**

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Submitting Council: Manningham Council

#### **Resolution**

That MAV State Council endorses the model of member councils exploring taking over the ownership and/or management of not-for-profit clubs with poker machines in Victoria, preferably by way of clubs gifting land and buildings to councils for the ongoing benefit of the broader community.

### **Chief Executive Officer Powers**

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Submitting Council: Mornington Peninsula Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

1. That the Municipal Association of Victoria pass a motion that calls on the Local Government Minister, Local Government Victoria and Victorian Auditor-General's Office asking for a review of the situation where Chief Executive Officers of municipalities in Victoria have extraordinary powers to give confidential large yearly bonuses to selected staff with or without disclosure to their Council, Councillors or the ratepayers and residents of municipalities and is apparently entirely at their sole discretion.
2. That the letter outlines that this power given by the State Government lacks transparency and accountability and creates apprehension of outcomes that may not be in the community interest.

### **Donations from Planning and Political Donors**

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Submitting Council: Mornington Peninsula Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That, in the wake of the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission investigations, the Municipal Association of Victoria calls upon the State Government to:

1. Ban all political gambling industry and developer donations, including donations from town planning, property developer, developer and gambling industry consultants and lobbyists
2. Reduce the maximum allowable amount for electoral donations.

### **Electric Car Recharging Stations**

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Submitting Council: Glenelg Shire Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Support for Electric Vehicles.

## **Motions not of state-wide significance**

### **Climate Change policy and advocacy development**

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Submitting Council: Kingston City Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Coordinated policy and advocacy on Climate Change.

## **Motions regarding ALGA**

### **Funding to support the establishment of Community Hubs**

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Submitting Council: Nillumbik Shire Council

#### **Consolidated**

See consolidated motion Community Hubs and Early Educational Services.

### **Funding and support to improve bushfire preparedness and climate resilience**

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Submitting Council: Nillumbik Shire Council

#### **Resolution**

That the MAV endorses a Notice of Motion from the Nillumbik Shire Council to the 2021 National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association and strongly advocates to the Australian Government to work closely with state and local government to develop appropriate implementation frameworks and make available greater funding – either through the extension of its Smart Cities and Suburbs program or a new initiative, to enable local governments and their communities to implement the latest networking and monitoring technology in their efforts to improve bushfire preparedness and climate resilience.

## **Motions similar to previous motions**

### **Graffiti management**

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Submitting Council: Stonnington City Council

#### **Resolution**

Advocate for responsive maintenance/management for state owned assets, including graffiti management

### **Street Light Upgrades**

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Submitting Council: Frankston City Council

#### **Resolution**

That MAV:

- a) Calls upon the Victorian Government to allocate \$60M to the Department of Transport over 3 years, to enable any remaining non-LED cost-shared street lights on declared arterials and major roads to be upgraded to approved, more energy efficient and smart technology enabled LED street lights.
- b) Advocates to the Victorian Government and Federal Government for \$100M for a dedicated grants program to cover up to 50% of local government costs over the same period, to support Victorian councils to undertake business cases (where needed) and implement LED energy efficiency upgrades to any remaining non-LED street lights on both major roads (cost-shared and full cost lights) and minor roads. Additional funding would be required for other local councils across Australia.
- c) Notes that replacing all inefficient major, arterial and minor roads lights with energy efficient LEDs across Victoria could save \$430M in operating costs and reduce emissions by 1.79M tonnes over the next 20 years.
- d) Advocates for a further \$50M to be allocated to implement smart lighting for major roads. This would benefit the Department of Transport and Victorian councils in progressing the State's net zero emissions target by reducing approximately 206,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions over the next 20 years. Additional smart lighting benefits includes reduced electricity consumption, improved lighting compliance, reductions in overlighting and improved road safety through automatic fault detection. This road safety benefit is estimated at as much as 2-3 times the financial benefits of the electricity and maintenance savings from this project.

## **MAV Rules 2013**

### **Proposed changes to MAV Rules 2013**

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**Submitting MAV Representative:** Cr Narelle Sharpe, Moonee Valley City Council

**Original motion as included in the agenda paper:**

That the following rules changes be adopted at the MAV State Council:

**Municipal Association of  
Victoria**  
**SCHEDULE 2**  
**Election Procedures for President and members of the MAV Management  
Board (Rules 11 & 12)**  
**DIVISION 1 — GENERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLYING TO ELECTIONS**

#### **1. Nomination**

- 1.1. Any representative **or the President or Interim President** wanting to nominate as a candidate for election either to the position of President or as a regional representative of the Board must submit to the Returning Officer a nomination in the form specified in Schedule 4.
- 1.2. A nomination must be received by the Returning Officer no later than 4.00pm on the twenty first day before Election Day and may be posted, hand delivered or sent by facsimile.
- 1.3. A representative nominating for election may nominate himself or herself or be nominated by another representative but must be the council's representative appointed by the council under rule 6.1. and notified to the Association in the form of Schedule 1.
- **1.3A. A President or Interim President nominating for election who is not a representative of his or her council, may only nominate for the position of President and may nominate himself or herself or be nominated by a representative.**
- 1.4. The Returning Officer must reject the nomination if:
  - 1.4.1. the person nominating is not the representative appointed by a participating member council **unless clause 1.3A of this Schedule applies**; or
  - 1.4.2. the person nominating has been nominated by a person who is not the representative of a participating member council **unless 1.3A of this Schedule applies**; or
  - 1.4.3. the nomination has not been received by the specified closing time.

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## Municipal Association of Victoria Rules

### 5. Election of President

- 5.1. If only one representative **candidate** nominates for the office of President, he or she will be declared elected by the Returning Officer.
- 5.2. If two or more representatives **candidates** nominate for the office of President, an election must be conducted by the Returning Officer.

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### 6. Appointment of representatives

- 6.3. The Council from which the President is elected must appoint an additional representative to vote on matters under consideration by the State Council **(except where a President is elected via 1.3A of Schedule 2).**

### **11. Where representative has nominated for President and Board member or where the representative of the President's or Interim President's council nominates for Board member**

- 11.1. If any candidate declared elected as President has also nominated for a position as a regional member of the Board that nomination must be declared to be invalid and any vote expressed for him or her for that other position will be dealt with as if his or her name had not been on the ballot paper and the numbers indicating subsequent preferences had been altered accordingly.
- **11.1A If any candidate declared elected as President is a councillor at the same council as a candidate who has nominated for a position as a regional member of the Board, that candidate's nomination for the Board must be declared to be invalid and any vote expressed for him or her for that other position will be dealt with as if his or her name had not been on the ballot paper and the numbers indicating subsequent preferences had been altered accordingly.**

### Resolution

That this motion be referred to the MAV Board for a full MAV Rules review and that the Board provide an endorsed set of rules amendments for adoption by the May 2022 State Council.