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I endorse this Public Record of the
Authority meeting held on 19 April 2017

Mr Terry Weber, Authority Chair

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Date 19 April 2017

Members Present

Mr Terry Weber (Chair), Mr Malcolm Snow, (Chief Executive), Ms Chris Faulks (Member), and Mr Glenn Keys (Member).

This was the third Authority meeting for 2017.

The following is a public record of the matters discussed at the Authority meeting held on the 19 April 2017. As some matters are privileged and confidential, this record follows, but does not completely represent the formal minutes of the meeting.

Consultation Report: Block 19 Section 7 Forrest (47 National Circuit) Construction of Dual Occupancy Residence

Any buildings or structures, demolition, landscaping or excavation works in Designated Areas require the prior written approval of the National Capital Authority (NCA).

The Decision

The Authority noted the draft Consultation Report for Works Approval (WA) No.100130 – Construction of a Mixed Use Residential Development on Block 1 Section 133 Campbell. The Authority agreed to publicly release the Consultation Report for WA No.100102 ([Attachment A](#)) once finalised, subject to the delegate’s approval of the revised proposal for the site.

Canberra Light Rail

Officers of the ACT Government briefed the Authority on the status of Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the Light Rail project. Details of the design of the stages were presented and discussed.

The Decision

The Authority noted the status of the Canberra Light Rail Stages 1 & 2 project and agreed in-principle support for the design of the light rail stops for Stage 1. It also agreed in-principle support for the materials and finishes guidelines noting that further detailed development will occur including at the future prototype stage.

The Lobby: Additional Permissible Land Uses

The Authority’s consideration was sought on extending the range of land uses permitted on ‘The Lobby’ site within the Parliamentary Zone. Members discussed the merits of adding additional land uses to support greater amenity and activation in the Parliamentary Zone.

The Decision

The Authority agreed to extend the range of uses permitted on Block 2 Section 34 Parkes (The Lobby) to include:

- Bar
- Café
- Place of Assembly
- Restaurant
- Tourist facility (not including service station or accommodation).

Northbourne Avenue / Federal Highway Draft Planning and Design Principles

The National Capital Authority (NCA) sets planning and design policy for Main Avenues and Approach Routes, including Northbourne Avenue and the Federal Highway. NCA officers are aware of several major planning proposals along the Northbourne Avenue/Federal Highway corridor. Each proposal contains elements that are inconsistent with the current planning framework. The members considered the key planning and design principles to guide a more comprehensive and strategic approach to redevelopment along the corridor.

The Decision

The Authority supported the concept of gateway character areas and general built form and landscape provisions as shown as Attachment A as the basis for preparing more detailed planning and design principles and conditions for the Federal Highway and Northbourne Avenue corridor. It noted that the ACT Government's Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (EPSDD) may request an amendment to the National Capital Plan (the Plan) to increase building heights at the intersection of Northbourne Avenue and Wakefield/Macarthur Avenues. It also noted that while no formal requests have been received, amendments to existing Development Control Plans (DCPs) for Yowani Country Club and Kamberra Winery would be required to facilitate current proposals.

Events on National Land

Members considered a paper on a review of the fees and charges applied to events on National Land. The review examined charging parity with other jurisdictions and to ensure that costs incurred by the NCA in approving events and managing the estate for event use, are fully recovered. This is consistent with the position of the Department of Finance for Commonwealth agencies to charge commercial rates for services.

The Decision

The Authority noted the revised Events on National Land Policy (2017) The Authority noted the New Event Hire Fees and Charges (2017) for introduction on 1 July 2017. It also noted the communication strategy notifying event organisers to charge commercial rates for services and requested fees and charges be reviewed annually.

Blocks 3 and 15 Section 22 Barton – Planning and design investigations

The Department of Finance (Finance) is considering divestment of Block 3 Section 22 Barton, and intends to seek an amendment to the National Capital Plan (the Plan) to broaden the range of permitted uses on the site. The paper provided background information and key matters for consideration prior to a formal request being made by the Department of Finance.

The Decision

The Authority noted Finance's intention to request a draft amendment to the Plan to vary the permitted land uses on Blocks 3 and 15 Section 22 Barton in June 2017. The Authority supported in principle, the preparation of a site specific draft amendment to the Plan for Blocks 3 and 15 Section 22 Barton.

Consultation Report: Block 35 Section 100 City – Construction of a 13 storey mixed use building over shared basement car park and public realm works

Any buildings or structures, demolition, landscaping or excavation works in Designated Area require the prior written approval of the National Capital Authority (NCA). Members considered a report on the outcome of consultation for a development proposal in the City Centre.

The Decision

The Authority noted the Consultation Report for Works Approval (WA) No.100253. This application is for the demolition of existing surface carpark and construction of a 13 storey mixed use building and separate 6 storey mixed use building over shared basement car park with associated facilities and public realm works at Block 35 Section 100 City Attachment A.

Lake Burley Griffin Recreation Policy 2017

The NCA manages recreational uses on Lake Burley Griffin through the Lake Burley Griffin Recreation Policy (2014) (the Policy). The Policy provides the framework for managing and encouraging a range of compatible recreation opportunities consistent with the special characteristics and heritage values of Lake Burley Griffin and adjacent lands.

Members acknowledged that an increasing range of recreational activities required a revision and clarification of permissible requirements for operating licences when boating on Lake Burley Griffin. Additionally, some minor changes have been identified since the last update in 2014.

The Decision

The Authority noted the amended Lake Burley Griffin Recreation Policy (2017).

Consultation Report – Blocks 4 & 5 Section 38 Campbell – Demolition of existing buildings

Any buildings or structures, demolition, landscaping or excavation works in Designated Areas require the prior written approval of the National Capital Authority (NCA). Members considered a report on the outcome of consultation for a development proposed in Campbell.

The Decision

The Authority noted the Consultation Report for Works Approval (WA) No.100168 for the demolition of existing buildings at Blocks 4 & 5 Section 38 Campbell (Attachment A).

Chief Executive Report

The Chief Executive provided members with a written update on the operations of the NCA for the reporting period.

Decision

The Chief Executive Report was noted.

CLOSED

The meeting closed at 3.15 pm

The next meeting is scheduled for 23 June 2017