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Notice of the making of a Public Transparency Policy and Governance Rules and the Revocation of the Council's Conduct of Meetings Local Law 2019

Notice is given pursuant to section 119 of the **Local Government Act 1989** (Act) that at its meeting on 25 August 2020, the Melbourne City Council (Council) adopted a Public Transparency Policy (Policy) and Governance Rules (Rules) and revoked the Council's Conduct of Meetings Local Law 2019 (and incorporated Meeting Procedures Code).

Purpose and general purport:

The Policy has been developed to formalise Council's support for transparency in its decision-making processes and public awareness of the availability of Council information.

The Rules will govern the conduct of meetings of Council and Delegated Committees and supersede the Council's Conduct of Meetings Local Law 2019 (and incorporated Meeting Procedures Code), which will be revoked as part of this process. The Rules also include the Election Period Policy and procedures for the disclosure of a conflict of interest by a Councillor, member of a Delegated Committee or Council staff. The Rules commence on 1 September 2020.

A copy of the Policy and Rules can be obtained from: the Council Offices (Front Desk, Melbourne Town Hall Administration Building, Swanston Street, Melbourne). Office hours are generally 7.30 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday excepting public holidays; and Council's website, www.melbourne.vic.gov.au

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