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Agenda Item 6.1 Ministerial Referral TPM-2010/8/A, 158-164 City Road, Southbank

### **Submission to Future Melbourne Committee**

Southbank Residents Association (SRA) has a number of reservations with this development and concur with the Officer's recommendations that the application cannot be supported.

We understand this is a request to increase the developer's recently approved application from 43 levels to 65 levels, which stinks of a knee jerk reaction after having seen the changes to the C262 Planning Scheme. We believe this application is an attempt to make a grab for further profit by adding a significant number of levels in the hope the Minister will approve. Further evidence of our suppositions are the negotiations with the Officers and the subsequent lack of any meaningful amendments to work within the scheme and its provisions.

Furthermore, of particular concern is the compliance - or possible lack thereof - with wind tunnelling. SRA is not convinced the developer has attributed any serious consideration to this important aspect with regard to the impact on our streetscapes and their activation.

Without any public benefit consideration this development is also too tall and overbearing, particularly in light of its southern and eastern surrounds. Its built form will be dominating and aesthetically uninviting. Setbacks need to be respected and must be complied with – this is non-negotiable.

SRA hopes this Committee will concur with the Council Officer's recommendations and send a clear message to the DELWP that this application is an over-development.

Tony Penna  
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