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Submission to Future Melbourne Committee

City of Melbourne, Council Meeting Room, Melbourne Town Hall Administration Building
21 February 2017, 5.30pm – Meeting No.6
Agenda Item 7.1 Notice of Motion, Cr Leppert: Crown Development

Southbank Residents Association (SRA) would firstly like to thank Cr Leppert for his motion.

This surprise development approval at 1 Queensbridge St is an important issue to Southbank, particularly its surrounding residents but also the wider community.

While the announcement in its own right was a surprise, it was a greater surprise to learn it had been referred to Council and that much consideration had been made by council officers.

The Southbank community asks why it was referred to Council, yet the Minister didn't wait for Council to respond. We appreciate this Council may not have the answer to that.

There are still many unanswered questions in relation to this development and while the City of Melbourne should have a say in how this development sits within its policies, strategies and the community, it is SRA opinion that the findings and recommendations of a development of this scale should be made public. The ratepayers of the City would not expect or accept Council to remain silent on a development of such magnitude.

SRA trust Councilor's will support this important motion.

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