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## **Submission to Future Melbourne Committee**

Future Melbourne Committee Meeting No. 17, Tuesday 3 August 2021  
Town Hall Commons, Ground Floor Melbourne Town Hall  
Agenda Item 6.3 Planning Scheme Amendment C384 - Inundation Overlays and the Good Design Guide

Southbank Residents Association (SRA) would like to make the following submission regarding Planning Scheme Amendment C384 - Inundation Overlays and the *Good Design Guide*.

### **Planning Scheme Amendment C384**

SRA understands that Planning Scheme Amendment C384 proposes to update the maps of areas prone to flooding and other associated planning controls.

It is also understood that the proposed new flood overlay will cover the majority of the suburb of Southbank.

It is well known that Southbank has had a long-standing problem with stormwater and flash flooding and the Southbank Residents Association has lobbied the City of Melbourne on this issue many times in the past. As such, the SRA welcomes Planning Scheme Amendment C384 and is optimistic that the new overlay will aid in the facilitation of improvements in the future.

### **Good Design Guide**

The SRA has reviewed the *Good Design Guide for Buildings in Flood Affected Areas in Fishermans Bend, Arden and Macaulay* and note that it is a shared resource for councils and the private development sector, and seeks to provide information to assist in the design of private development in flood affected areas.

The SRA acknowledges that the approaches outlined in the *Good Design Guide* to manage flood risk aren't applicable to other areas outside Fishermans Bend, Arden and Macaulay. It is stated that those suburbs have drainage strategies to manage and mitigate flooding into the long term which other suburbs (presumably Southbank) do not have.

SRA shouldn't miss an opportunity to remind this Committee that we definitely need better drainage strategies in Southbank. Just this week, several vehicles were trapped in floodwater at the Dudley Street underpass in Docklands, so it's clear Southbank isn't the only suburb in the municipality experiencing flooding problems.



While not encompassing Southbank, SRA is supportive of the design principles outlined in the *Good Design Guide* and the inclusion of the Guide as a background document in the Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendment C384.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, SRA would like to express support for an exhibition period of the proposed Planning Scheme Amendment C384, during which time SRA aims to engage a consultant to assist us in making a formal submission.

We will also be keeping our members informed of the proposed Planning Scheme Amendment C384, and encouraging them to engage, ask questions and make submissions of their own.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony Penna", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Tony Penna  
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