

Relevant Information for Council

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TO: Lord Mayor and Councillors

FROM: Veronica Lee, Director City Services

THROUGH: Monica Barone, Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Information Relevant to Item 9.4 – Public Exhibition - Graffiti Management Policy

Alternative Recommendation

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) approve the draft Graffiti Management Policy as shown at Attachment A to the subject report, for public exhibition for a period of 28 days, **subject to the following amendments:**

- (i) *the following paragraph in the 'Public Art and Street Art' section be amended to read:*

Murals and street art applied without relevant consent are considered to be unlawful graffiti. If a property owner confirms that ~~no approval~~ **owners consent** has **not** been given to unlawful graffiti on their property, arrangements will be made for its removal.

- (ii) *insert the following paragraph at the end of the 'Public Art and Street Art' section*

Where new street art is identified, the location is cross referenced with the City's street art register. If the location is not on the register the Director City Services and CEO are notified. The CEO will make a determination regarding removal if required, and the item is either added to the street art register or removed as unlawful graffiti. A copy of the approval to remove process flowchart is included as an appendix to this Policy.

- (iii) *insert the 'Approval to Remove Process Flowchart' as an appendix to the Graffiti Management Policy as shown at Attachment A to subject Information Relevant To memorandum;*

- (B) note that the draft Graffiti Management Policy, including any recommended changes, will be reported to Council for consideration following the exhibition period.

Purpose

To provide an alternative recommendation for Item 9.4 - Public Exhibition - Graffiti Management Policy that amends the draft Policy to include further information on City processes and consideration in relation to public art, street art and graffiti removal.

Background

At the meeting of the Transport, Heritage, Environment and Planning Committee on 15 August 2022, further information was sought on the current processes and responses to the various situations that arise when landowners and community views on artistic merit do not align.

Approval to remove process for graffiti with street art appearance

In instances where new street art is identified, the location is cross referenced with the City's Street Art Register. If the location is not on the register the Director City Services and Chief Executive Officer are notified. The Chief Executive Officer will make a determination regarding removal if required, and the item is either added to the street art register or removed as unlawful graffiti.

Amendments to the draft policy are proposed, including clarification on owners consent, a description of the decision-making process (in the 'Public Art and Street Art' section) in these instances and the insertion of the 'Approval to Remove Process Flowchart (previously provided to Council in December 2020, with minor updates). This flowchart is also proposed to be incorporated into the Policy as an appendix

Memo from Veronica Lee, Director City Services

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Attachments

Attachment A. Approval to Remove Process Flowchart

Approved



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Chief Executive Officer