

**Item 10.1****Notices of Motion****Transitioning to Heat Pumps in City Aquatic Centres**

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
- (i) the City's pools are currently powered by gas;
  - (ii) the City's sustainability strategy involves purchasing "renewable gas" for all its needs by 2025;
  - (iii) when burned, "renewable" natural gas releases nitrous oxide, a pollutant that creates smog and lowers air quality;
  - (iv) "renewable gas" - a highly processed gas that still contains at least 90 per cent methane – is a greenhouse gas that significantly damages the climate more than carbon dioxide; and
  - (v) the Commonwealth Government have established the \$100M Community Energy Upgrades Fund, which council pools are eligible for; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
- (i) investigate options to retrofit all City-owned pools and aquatic centres with heat pumps within the next two years;
  - (ii) report back to Council via the CEO Update with targets for the transition;
  - (iii) provide a report that compares the sustainability, cost and ease of transition between the use of renewable gas and heat pumps in aquatic centres;
  - (iv) report back to Council via the CEO Update with the report and its outcomes; and
  - (v) amend the City's policy defining renewable energy so that it does not include gas or "renewable gas".

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