

**Report to the Future Melbourne (Finance and Governance)
Committee**

Agenda item 6.10

Allocation of the Discretionary Fund: Third quarter 2017–18

15 May 2018

Presenter: Katrina McKenzie, Director City Economy and Activation

Purpose and background

1. The purpose of this report is to advise the Future Melbourne Committee of the projects supported through the allocation of discretionary funding for the third quarter of the 2017–18 financial year in accordance with Future Melbourne Committee requirements.

Key issues

2. Total discretionary funding allocated during the second quarter of the 2017–18 financial year was \$30,993 (see grand total, underneath Table 3, Attachment 2). The individual items funded are listed in Attachment 2.
3. This funding was within an existing 2017–18 budget allocation of \$250,000 held within the City Economy and Activation Group comprising:
 - 3.1. \$150,000 for Council support for various charitable, community and other eligible organisations and activities, via cash sponsorships (year to date allocation \$115,309, unexpended funds \$34,691).
 - 3.2. \$70,000 for Council support of the same via use of the Melbourne Town Hall venue (year to date allocation \$59,478, unexpended funds \$10,522).
 - 3.3. \$30,000 for Council support of the same via purchase of table sponsorships (year to date allocation \$23,788, unexpended funds \$6,212).
4. As at the end of the third quarter, the net unexpended funds in the total \$250,000 budget for 2017–18 were \$51,425.
5. The total value of discretionary in-kind waivers approved for the third quarter was \$NIL. Refer Table 4, Attachment 2.

Recommendation from management

6. That the Future Melbourne Committee receives the report on the allocation of discretionary funds for the third quarter of the 2017–18 financial year.

Attachments:

1. Supporting Attachment (Page 2 of 8)
2. List of Distributed Funds (Page 3 of 8)

Supporting Attachment

Legal

1. There are no direct legal implications arising from the recommendation from management.

Finance

2. The financial implications are contained in the body of the report.

Conflict of interest

3. No member of Council staff, or other person engaged under a contract, involved in advising on or preparing this report has declared a direct or indirect interest in relation to the matter of the report.

Stakeholder consultation

4. Stakeholder consultation has not been undertaken in the formulation of this report.

Relation to Council policy

5. A number of formal funding programs have been established to meet Council policy objectives within the Council Plan. Current grants programs include support for arts and culture, events, small business and export, sport and recreation and community services.
6. Discretionary funds are allocated from time to time to requests made outside of the normal funding program planning and funding cycles, subject to meeting the criteria established via Future Melbourne Committee resolution on 9 July 2013. This criteria states that requests for discretionary funding will only be considered if:
 - 6.1. They are received with a lead time of greater than 90 days to the date of the event (with the exception of table sponsorships).
 - 6.2. They would be ineligible for funding from existing programs.
7. At its meeting on 18 July 2017 the Future Melbourne Committee passed a resolution in relation to City of Melbourne Support for the War on Waste. Under this resolution, an amount of up to \$50,000 was allocated from the 2017–18 discretionary fund towards a short term (July 2017 to end of November 2017) “Single-use waste reduction fund”, with any eligible individual business being eligible for a grant of up to \$2,000. Successful recipients of this funding are disclosed on this report. Refer Table 5, Attachment 2.

Environmental sustainability

8. There is no significant impact on environmental sustainability arising from or related to the recommendation in this report.
9. The “Single-use waste reduction fund” is intended to produce environmental sustainability benefits as referred to in the resolution concerning this matter within the minutes of the Future Melbourne Committee meeting of 18 July 2017.

List Of Distributed Funds

Table 1: Council support for various charitable, community and other eligible organisations and activities, via cash sponsorships

Nature of request	Organisation requesting funding	Date of activity or event	Total value contributed (ex-GST)	Method of approval
Sponsorship of the 2018 Banksia Sustainability Awards	Banksia Foundation	16 October 2018	\$10,000	Approved by Council, 27 March 2018
Sub-total:			\$10,000	
Adjustments: 1. Reversal of adjustment in previous quarter: Corpus Medicorum sponsorship: \$150. These costs will still eventuate.			\$150	
TOTAL FOR THIS QUARTER:			\$10,150	
<i>Year to Date Cumulative Total:</i>				
Opening Balance at 1 January 2018			\$105,159	
Closing Balance at 31 March 2018			\$115,309	

Table 2: Council support for various charitable, community and other eligible organisations and activities, via use of the Melbourne Town Hall venue

Nature of request	Organisation requesting funding	Date of activity or event	Total value contributed (ex-GST)	Method of approval
Request to light the Melbourne Town Hall in red for Red Nose Day	Red Nose	29 June 2018	\$1,825	Approved by Council, 27 February 2018
Request to light the Town Hall in yellow for the 2018 Shine a Light on Road Safety campaign	Road Trauma Support Services Victoria	30 April to 6 May 2018	\$4,915	Approved by Council, 27 February 2018
Request to host the annual Bursary Award function and 2018 Annual General Meeting	Australian Local Government Women's Association	19 April 2018	\$2,000	Approved by Council, 27 February 2018
Request to donate a high tea for 10 people at the Melbourne Town Hall to support the Million Dollar Lunch 2018	Children's Cancer Foundation	To be confirmed	\$650	Approved by Council, 27 February 2018
Sub-total:			\$9,390	
Adjustments: None.			\$0	
TOTAL FOR THIS QUARTER:			\$9,390	
<i>Year to Date Cumulative Total:</i>				
Opening Balance at 1 January 2018			\$50,088	
Closing Balance at 31 March 2018			\$59,478	

Table 3: Council support for various charitable, community and other eligible organisations and activities, via purchase of table sponsorships

Nature of request	Organisation requesting funding	Date of activity or event	Total value contributed (ex-GST)	Method of approval
Table sponsorship: the annual Italian Gala Ball 2018 and Italian Business Awards 2018	Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry	2 June 2018	\$2,500	Approved by Council, 27 February 2018

Sub-total:**\$2,500****Adjustments:****\$153**

- (1) Lady Mayoress' Committee Annual Christmas Luncheon: \$68 - to ensure correct tax treatment;
(2) Chinese New Year Charity Ball: \$85 - to ensure correct tax treatment.

TOTAL FOR THIS QUARTER:**\$2,653****Year to Date Cumulative Total:**

Opening Balance at 1 January 2018
Closing Balance at 31 March 2018

\$21,135

\$23,788**GRAND TOTAL FOR THIS QUARTER - All categories:****\$22,193****Year to Date Cumulative Grand Total:**

Opening Balance at 1 January 2018
Closing Balance at 31 March 2018

\$176,382

\$198,575

Table 4: Council support under this program for various charitable, community and other eligible organisations and activities, via waived fees

Nature of request	Organisation requesting funding	Date of activity or event	Total value contributed (ex-GST)	Method of approval

Sub-total:

\$0

Adjustments: None.

\$0

TOTAL WAIVED FEES:

\$0

Year to Date Cumulative Total:

Total value of fees waived this financial year as at 1 January 2018

\$6,900

Total value of fees waived this financial year as at 31 March 2018

\$6,900

Table 5: Additional disclosure: Recipients of funding under the Single-use Waste Reduction fund

On the November 2017 report to Future Melbourne Committee titled Allocation of Discretionary Funds - First Quarter 2017-18 it was disclosed that an amount of \$50,000 (up to \$2,000 per applicant) was available to fund eligible applicants for the Single-use Waste Reduction fund. The following are the recipients of the funds:

Nature of request	Organisation requesting funding	Date of activity or event	Total value contributed (ex-GST)	Method of approval
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Coffee Cup Initiative	Jungle Juice Bar	n/a	\$1,290	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Coffee Cup Initiative	Bueller Canteen	n/a	\$1,290	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Coffee Cup Initiative	The Basement café & Bar	n/a	\$1,290	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Coffee Cup Initiative	Kings and Knives Espresso	n/a	\$1,290	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Coffee Cup Initiative	Kape and Co Pty Ltd	n/a	\$1,290	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Coffee Cup Initiative	La kuaiza	n/a	\$1,290	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Kinfolk Cafe	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Kit Espresso	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Three Thousand Thieves (M Pavilion)	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Bean Buzz	n/a	\$1,763	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Union Kiosk	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Section 8	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Spring Street Grocer	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Oli and Levi Espresso	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Lulu Cafe and Gallery	n/a	\$1,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Boomerang Bags	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Shark Fin House	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Shark Fin Inn	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Collins Square	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Polish Deli (QVM)	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Star City Liquor	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Market Organics (QVM)	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Rare Organics (QVM)	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Garden Organics (QVM)	n/a	\$1,800	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017

Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Hotel Lincoln	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Max Watts	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Other Initiatives	Curtin House Rooftop Bar and Cinema	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Coffee Cup Initiative	Sbriga Espresso Bar*	n/a	\$1,290	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Request for funding via the Single-use Waste Reduction Fund: Re-usable Bags Initiative	Bright Sparks*	n/a	\$2,000	Approved by Briefing Note to Council, 15 December 2017
Sub-total:			\$49,993	

* = Businesses subsequently withdrew applications