

FURTHER DIRECTION – 9 December 2019

On 7 November 2019 the Panel issued a Direction to Council, which as part of its background stated:

The Panel issued Directions to Council on 1 November 2019 (Document 75) seeking a response to a number of matters arising from submissions, evidence and the Panel's review of the Amendment.

On Day 5 of the Hearing, Council submitted Document 78 and 79 which, in part responded to some of the matters raised in the further Direction.

The Panel further directed that:

... Council provide its further information in response to the evidence and submissions made at the Hearing, and to the further Directions of the Panel (Document 75) by 12noon on Friday 6 December 2019 and copied to all parties on the Distribution List.

... If further notice is required, parties will have until 17 January 2020 to provide any additional submissions and evidence. If further hearings are required, the days of 21, 22, and 23 January 2020 have been set aside for this purpose.

The Panel indicated that a further Directions Hearing or a reconvened Hearing would be held at 9am on Tuesday 10 December 2019.

In the afternoon of Friday 6 December 2019, Council circulated the following documents:

- *Council Part D changes – Commercial 1 Zone – 6.12.2019*
- *Council Part D changes – Clause 21.19 – 6.12.19*
- *Council Part D changes – Clause 22.03 – 6.12.19*
- *The City of Greater Geelong Retail Strategy 2016-36, amended 6 December 2019 including a new Appendix 1 (Retail Method)*
- *Memo from Julian Szafraniec of SGS 'Difference between exhibited and newly proposed alignment charts contained in Figures 12 and 14 of Retail Strategy'*
- *Memo from Peter Schembri of Council - Ocean Grove Population Update November 2019.*

Council confirmed in its covering letter circulated with the above, the Hearing on Tuesday 9 December at 9.00am. The Directions Hearing was confirmed by an email from Planning Panels Victoria on the afternoon of Friday 6 December 2019.

Council proposed that further notification is required and requested that the Panel issue a Direction to this effect.

The revisions to the three Schedules are presented as tracked changes, but this is not the case with the revised Retail Strategy.

The Panel further directs that Council:

- Confirm at the Directions Hearing on Tuesday 10 December 2019 that the timetable for a reconvened Hearing commencing as proposed on 21, 22 and 23 January 2020 will be met.
- Provide a list of documentation to be circulated in the further notice of the Amendment.

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- Speak to and then provide a written summary of key changes (in track change form) to the revised Retail Strategy to all on the distribution list by 4pm on Monday 16 December 2019 and provide this to all included in further notification of the Amendment requested by Council.
- Provide a succinct statement to summarise any changed population forecasts to be included in the Retail Strategy as a result of the analysis of a range of population forecasts included in the note prepared by Mr Schembri and circulated on 6 December 2019.

Kathy Mitchell

Panel Chair, 9 December 2019