

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF THE FRANKSTON CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, DAVEY STREET, FRANKSTON
ON 1 JUNE 2026 at 7:00 PM**

PRESENT

Cr. Sue Baker (Mayor)
Cr. Cherie Wanat (Deputy Mayor)
Cr. David Asker
Cr. Kris Bolam (via Zoom)
Cr. Nathan Butler
Cr. Steffie Conroy
Cr. Emily Green
Cr. Michael O'Reilly

APOLOGIES:

Cr. Brad Hill

ABSENT:

Nil.

OFFICERS:

Tennille Bradley, Chief Executive Officer
Cam Arullanantham, Acting Director Corporate and Commercial Services
Tammy Beauchamp, Acting Director Communities
Vishal Gupta, Acting Director Infrastructure and Operations
Tammy Ryan, Acting Director Customer Innovation and Arts
Brianna Alcock, Manager Governance
Tenille Craig, Coordinator Governance
Stuart Caldwell, Coordinator Statutory Planning
Ric Rais, Team Leader Operations Support
Bill Thomas, Desktop Support and Project Officer
Josh Lacey, Supervising Technician
Darren Burges, Supervising Technician

**EXTERNAL
REPRESENTATIVES:**

Nil.

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COUNCILLOR STATEMENT

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Cherie Wanat made the following statement:

"All members of this Council pledge to the City of Frankston community to consider every item listed on this evening's agenda:

- *Based on the individual merits of each item;*
- *Without bias or prejudice by maintaining an open mind; and*
- *Disregarding Councillors' personal interests so as to avoid any conflict with our public duty.*

Any Councillor having a conflict of interest in an item will make proper, prior disclosure to the meeting and will not participate or vote on the issue."

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Cherie Wanat acknowledged the Bunurong People of the Kulin Nation – the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we stand, and paid respect to Elders past, present and future. Respect was also extended to Elders of other communities who may have been present.

Mayoral Statement

The Mayor acknowledged Vinnies CEO Sleepout initiative, which will be held on 18 June. The initiative aims to help raise awareness of homelessness and the challenges faced by some of our most vulnerable community members.

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1. APOLOGIES

AN APOLOGY WAS RECEIVED FROM COUNCILLOR BRAD HILL.

2. COUNCILLOR APPRECIATION AWARDS**2.1 PRESENTATION TO CONNOR SAHELY**

CR BUTLER PRESENTED THE COUNCILLOR APPRECIATION AWARD TO CONNOR SAHELY IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE FRANKSTON CITY COMMUNITY THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ONGOING LEADERSHIP OF THE OLIVER'S HILL RUN CLUB.

CONNOR'S DEDICATION TO FOSTERING A SAFE, INCLUSIVE AND WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT HAS ENCOURAGED COMMUNITY CONNECTION, HEALTH AND WELLBEING AND REDUCED BARRIERS FOR PARTICIPATION IN SPORT AND EXERCISE.

CONNOR EXEMPLIFIES COMMUNITY SPIRIT, INCLUSIVITY AND LEADERSHIP WITHIN THE FRANKSTON COMMUNITY THROUGH CONTINUED VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT, CONNOR HAS CREATED A POSITIVE AND LASTING IMPACT WITHIN THE FRANKSTON COMMUNITY.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Council Meeting No. CM6 held on 11 May 2026.

Council Decision

Moved: Councillor Green

Seconded: Councillor Asker

That the minutes of the Council Meeting No. CM6 held on 11 May 2026 copies of which had previously been circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed, approved and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST AND DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil.

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil.

6. HEARING OF PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

Bernadine Geary made a submission to Council regarding Item 14.2 2026/NOM06 - Trader and Community Training and Support Pilot Program.

7. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD

Items Brought Forward

Council Decision

Moved: Councillor Butler

Seconded: Councillor Green

That Item 14.2 2026/NOM06 - Trader and Community Training and Support Pilot Program be brought forward.

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Carried Unanimously

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ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD

14.2 2026/NOM06 - Trader and Community Training and Support Pilot Program

*(TB Communities)*Council Decision**Moved: Councillor Butler****Seconded: Councillor Conroy**

That Council:

1. Notes many traders, businesses and community-facing organisations across the municipality, particularly within the CBD, regularly encounter complex social issues, including rough sleeping, mental health challenges and anti-social behaviour;
2. Acknowledges the introduction of the Trader Support Directory as a valuable tool to assist traders and businesses in navigating available services and support pathways;
3. Recognises that, while information is available, many traders, businesses and community-facing organisations would benefit from practical, confidence-building training to safely and appropriately respond to these situations;
4. Affirms that any training developed must:
 - a) Support participants without placing them in the role of support workers;
 - b) Maintain appropriate professional and personal boundaries;
 - c) Prioritise the safety of traders, businesses and volunteers;
 - d) Ensure participants are not encouraged to place themselves in unsafe or high-risk situations;
 - e) Respect the dignity and wellbeing of vulnerable community members;
 - f) Focus on awareness, de-escalation and referral pathways rather than direct intervention;
5. Notes the success of the Community Connectors Program in strengthening community relationships, improving engagement, and supporting vulnerable members of the community;
6. Reaffirms its commitment to continuing the Community Connectors Program for a further year through the allocation of \$200,000 in the endorsed 2026/27 Council Budget;
7. Reaffirms its commitment to the Community Connectors Program through its inclusion as a priority advocacy item for the 2026 State Election;
8. Acknowledges concerns raised by traders and businesses operating outside the current Community Connectors and Operation Pulse service areas regarding the prevalence and impact of complex social issues, and notes that a meeting is scheduled in June 2026 with South East Community Links and Vicinity Centres to review the current operations, outcomes, and broader impacts of the Community Connectors Program and Operation Pulse, with these concerns to be investigated as part of this process and the findings reported back to Council to inform any further action, service improvements, geographic coverage considerations and/or advocacy required;
9. Requests a report to Council by October 2026 on the feasibility of establishing a pilot training and support program for traders, businesses and community-facing organisations, including:

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- i. Potential training components, including but not limited to:
 - Mental Health First Aid
 - De-escalation and conflict awareness
 - Crisis-aware and respectful communication
 - Understanding vulnerability and appropriate response boundaries
 - Clear guidance on appropriate referral pathways and who to contact in different scenarios
- ii. Delivery models for the pilot, which may include:
 - Scheduled in-person workshops based on demand
 - Partnerships with existing service providers and specialist agencies
 - Collaboration with local business networks (e.g. the Frankston Business Collective)
 - Integration with existing initiatives such as the Trader Support Directory and outreach programs
- iii. Engagement with local traders, businesses, business groups and relevant stakeholders to consider and assess:
 - Demand and likely uptake
 - Priority training needs
 - Preferred delivery methods
- iv. An assessment of the estimated costs associated with delivering the pilot program, noting that an evaluation of the pilot would inform any future expansion or funding requirements.
- v. Identification of potential funding sources, partnerships or grant opportunities to support implementation.
- vi. A timeline for pilot program delivery and evaluation.

Carried Unanimously

8. PRESENTATIONS / AWARDS

Director Communities acknowledged Sandfield Reserve Precinct Revitalisation has been nominated for the Parks and Leisure Australia, Awards of Excellence 2026, 'Park of the Year' award.

This is a recognition of the transformation of Sandfield Reserve, from a space with known safety concerns through to a well-used and valued community destination for Carrum Downs and Skye.

The nomination reflects the work that's gone into the project from the endorsed 2021 Masterplan through to advocacy, design, engagement, and delivery, and is a credit to the many teams across Council and our partners who have contributed.

9. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Nil

10. DELEGATES' REPORTS

Nil

11. CONSIDERATION OF CITY PLANNING REPORTS**11.1 Statutory Planning Progress Report for March and April 2026***(TB Communities)***Council Decision****Moved: Councillor Wanat****Seconded: Councillor O'Reilly**

That Council:

1. Notes in March 2026:
 - 62% of 'standard' applications were determined within the statutory timeframes, below Council's 70% target;
 - 73% of 'VicSmart' applications were determined within the statutory timeframe, above Council's target;
2. Notes in April 2026:
 - 75% of 'standard' applications were determined within the statutory timeframes, above Council's target;
 - 80% of 'VicSmart' applications were determined within the statutory timeframes, above Council's target;
3. Notes the Minister for Planning made one (1) planning decision on an application within the Frankston municipality, granting a planning permit for the redevelopment of an integrated Residential Aged Care facility, retirement living and ex-service veteran accommodation at 79-85 Overport Road, Frankston South; and
4. Resolves *Attachment C* (Major Development Updates) and *Attachment D* (General applications of Councillor interest) remain confidential indefinitely on the grounds that they contain land use planning information and private commercial information (*Local Government Act 2020*, s.3(1)(c) and (g)). These grounds apply because it contains private information and would, if prematurely released, impact the reputation of Councillors and Council.

*Councillor Asker left the chamber at 7:38 pm.**Councillor Asker returned to the chamber at 7:40 pm.***The motion was
Carried Unanimously**

12. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS

12.1 Governance Matters Report - 1 June 2026

(CA Corporate and Commercial Services)

Recommendation (Director Corporate and Commercial Services)

That Council:

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Cancellation of Council Meeting

2. Notes the annual schedule of Council Meetings was previously endorsed and fixed by Council at the Council Meeting on 10 December 2025;
3. In accordance with Rule 10 of Council's Governance Rules, resolves to cancel the Council Meeting fixed for 22 June 2026;
4. Notes the cancellation of the Council Meeting will be advertised by way of public notice and on Council's website;

Inclusion Action Plan

5. Notes the Inclusion Action plan 2026-2030 due to be presented at the 1 June 2026 Council Meeting;
6. Notes this report will be delayed due to the need for additional and targeted community engagement and consultation and will be presented to Council for endorsement at its 3 August 2026 Council Meeting;

Assertive Outreach Advocacy

7. Notes at the 23 February 2026 Council Meeting, Council endorsed the following advocacy priority ahead of the 2026 Victorian State Election:
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8. Notes Frankston and Mornington Peninsula Zero has subsequently provided updated operational advice identifying increasing rough sleeping across Frankston City and a significant need for expanded assertive outreach capacity to safely and effectively respond to current demand;
9. Endorses a revised advocacy priority ahead of the 2026 Victorian State Election seeking approximately \$2.5 million over four years to support;
 - a. Ongoing service coordination and By-Name-List data management functions;
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Instruments of Delegations update

S5 Instrument of Delegation to Chief Executive Officer

10. In the exercise of the power conferred by s 11(1)(b) of the Local Government

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Act 2020 (the Act), Frankston City Council Resolves that:

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Moved: Councillor Bolam

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Extension of Time

Moved: Councillor Butler

Seconded: Councillor Asker

That Cr Bolam be granted an extension of time.

Carried

For the Motion: Crs Asker, Baker, Bolam, Butler, Conroy and O'Reilly (6)

Against the Motion: Crs Green and Wanat (2)

**The motion was
Carried**

For the Motion: Crs Asker, Baker, Bolam, Butler, Green, O'Reilly and Wanat (7)

Against the Motion: Cr Conroy (1)

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12.2 Adoption of Governance Policies

(CA Corporate and Commercial Services)

Recommendation (Director Corporate and Commercial Services)

That Council:

1. Notes a Councillor Travel Policy was developed in response to the Council resolution from the 23 February 2026 Meeting and Council's Place Naming Policy and Commemorative Memorial Features Policy have been revised to reflect legislative changes;
2. Notes community engagement on these policies occurred for a period of 30 days, through the 'Engage Frankston' Platform between April and May 2026 with eight (8) submissions received, with feedback taken into consideration for the final policies;
3. Notes, following consultation, minor amendments were made as follows:
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 - b. refers approval of requests for Council funded travel and accommodation within Victoria to be assessed in accordance with the adopted Council Expense Policy, which outlines, under section 5, that the Director Corporate and Commercial Services is responsible for: reviewing and approving Councillor Expense Claims and authorising reimbursement of approved expense claims;
 - c. requires Councillor applications for interstate and international travel to be submitted to the CEO for presentation at the next available Council meeting for endorsement and any applications for urgent (interstate and international) travel that must be undertaken before the next available Council Meeting may be approved by the CEO then be presented to Council at the next available Council Meeting for ratification;
 - d. requires a Councillor, after attending a conference, seminar, event or training course, to provide a verbal report or written summary to Council via a Delegates' Report to Council, which outlines the purpose of the conference, learning outcomes and matters of relevance to the Frankston municipality, in line with the Council Expenses Policy and its Governance Rules;
6. Directs the CEO to update the proposed Councillor Travel Policy to:
 - a. permit a Councillor's partner, or family member, to accompany them when attending officially scheduled meetings during Council endorsed interstate and international travel (notwithstanding, the conduct, confidentiality, and privacy requirements that apply to Councillors do not apply to a Councillor's partner), and allow for their reimbursement of baggage expenses incurred during interstate or international travel where they are carrying Council endorsed gifts or gifts received on behalf of Council;
 - b. include the definition from the Council Expenses Policy, that Council funded travel and accommodation within Victoria is approved by the Director Corporate and Commercial Services;
 - c. through a review, update its Governance Rules to require a Councillor to provide both a verbal report and written summary to Council via a Delegates' Report to Council for all interstate and international travel;
 - d. permit a Councillor to be eligible to be reimbursed for any accommodation expenses incurred when booking ahead of any interstate and international travel;
7. Notes interstate and international travel requirements for Council staff are already outlined in the Staff Expense Reimbursement Policy which aligns with the Council Expenses Policy.
8. Directs the CEO to develop a separate Staff Travel Policy for interstate and international travel to align with the requirements in the proposed Councillor Travel Policy, which will be authorised by the CEO and presented to Council for noting by August 2026;
9. Notes the above changes to the proposed Councillor Travel Policy will result in a Chairperson's initials.....

change of proposed policy position and will require Council to advertise the proposed Councillor Travel Policy for a further 30-day community engagement period; and

10. Defers adoption of the proposed Councillor Travel Policy to make the above changes and resolves to advertise the proposed Councillor Travel Policy for a further 30-day community engagement period from 3 June to 1 July 2026, prior to presenting the policy adoption at its meeting on 13 July 2026.

Council Decision

Moved: Councillor Bolam

Seconded: Councillor Butler

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Council Expenses Policy and its Governance Rules;

6. Directs the CEO to update the proposed Councillor Travel Policy to:
 - a. permit a Councillor's partner, or family member, to accompany them when attending officially scheduled meetings during Council endorsed interstate and international travel (notwithstanding, the conduct, confidentiality, and privacy requirements that apply to Councillors do not apply to a Councillor's partner), and allow for their reimbursement of baggage expenses incurred during interstate or international travel where they are carrying Council endorsed gifts or gifts received on behalf of Council;
 - b. include the definition from the Council Expenses Policy, that Council funded travel and accommodation within Victoria is approved by the Director Corporate and Commercial Services;
 - c. through a review, update its Governance Rules to require a Councillor to provide both a verbal report and written summary to Council via a Delegates' Report to Council for all interstate and international travel;
 - d. permit a Councillor to be eligible to be reimbursed for any accommodation expenses incurred when booking ahead of any interstate and international travel;
7. Notes interstate and international travel requirements for Council staff are already outlined in the Staff Expense Reimbursement Policy which aligns with the Council Expenses Policy.
8. Directs the CEO to develop a separate Staff Travel Policy for interstate and international travel to align with the requirements in the proposed Councillor Travel Policy, which will be authorised by the CEO and presented to Council for noting by August 2026;
9. Notes the above changes to the proposed Councillor Travel Policy will result in a change of proposed policy position and will require Council to advertise the proposed Councillor Travel Policy for a further 30-day community engagement period; and
10. Defers adoption of the proposed Councillor Travel Policy to make the above changes and resolves to advertise the proposed Councillor Travel Policy for a further 30-day community engagement period from 3 June to 1 July 2026, prior to presenting the policy adoption at its meeting on 13 July 2026.

The Deputy Mayor took the Chair to rule on the Point of Order against the Chair

Cr Bolam moved that the meeting disagree with the Chair's ruling on a point of order.

With the Deputy Mayor having been the Chair, the Mayor took the Chair

Motion of Dissent

Moved: Councillor Bolam

Seconded:

That the Chair's ruling be dissented from.

The motion lapsed for want of a seconder

Extension of Time

Moved: Councillor Butler

Seconded: Councillor Asker

That Cr Bolam be granted an extension of time.

Carried

For the Motion: Crs Asker, Baker, Bolam, Butler, Conroy and O'Reilly

Against the Motion: Crs Green and Wanat

Chairperson's initials.....

In accordance with Governance Rule 79.1, the Chair ordered the removal from the meeting of Cr Bolam for a period of 15 minutes.

Cr Bolam left the Chamber at 8.39pm and did not return to the meeting.

**The motion was
Lost**

For the Motion: Nil (0)
Against the Motion: Crs Asker, Baker, Conroy, Green, O'Reilly and Wanat (6)
Abstained: Cr Butler (1)
Cr Bolam was not in the Chamber at the time of the vote

*With the Councillor's alternate motion being lost,
the officer recommendation was Moved.*

Council Decision

Moved: Councillor O'Reilly

Seconded: Councillor Butler

That Council:

1. Notes a Councillor Travel Policy was developed in response to the Council resolution from the 23 February 2026 Meeting and Council's Place Naming Policy and Commemorative Memorial Features Policy have been revised to reflect legislative changes;
2. Notes community engagement on these policies occurred for a period of 30 days, through the 'Engage Frankston' Platform between April and May 2026 with eight (8) submissions received, with feedback taken into consideration for the final policies;
3. Notes, following consultation, minor amendments were made as follows:
 - Place Naming Policy: Section 4.2.2 of the policy was updated to remove the sentence "*Council will prioritise naming proposals which promote gender equality and diversity*", as it was already made clear in that section of the Policy that Council will promote gender equality and diversity, in accordance with legislative requirements of the Gender Equality Act 2020 and the statutory Naming Rules from the Geographic Place Names Act 1998
 - Councillor Travel Policy: section 4.2.5 of the Policy was updated to clarify the accommodation standards when travelling within Victoria, which are consistent when travelling interstate and internationally; and
4. Adopts the policies listed below and publishes them on Council's website:
 - Place Naming Policy
 - Commemorative Memorial Fixtures Policy
 - Councillor Travel Policy

Carried

For the Motion: Crs Asker, Baker, Conroy, Green, O'Reilly and Wanat (6)
Against the Motion: Nil (0)
Abstained: Cr Butler (1)

The Meeting was adjourned at 8.42pm

Meeting resumed at 8.52pm

12.3 Destination Event Attraction Program - 2026/27 Recommendations

(TR Customer Innovation and Arts)

Council Decision

Moved: Councillor Butler

Seconded: Councillor Wanat

That Council:

1. Notes \$250,000 was adopted in the 2026-2027 Arts and Culture operational budget to support the development of the 2026-2027 Destination Event Attraction Program (DEAP);
2. Endorses the recommended funding and in-kind support for the successful events of the Destination Event Attraction Program for 2026-2027, to a total value of \$165,000;
3. Notes the remaining funding of \$85,000 and in-kind support will be considered at a future Council Meeting;
4. Authorises the public release of the business name/s only of the successful grant recipient/s at the conclusion of this Council Meeting; and
5. Resolves that *Attachment A* (Destination Event Attraction Program 2026-2027 recommendations – Successful), *Attachment B* (Destination Event Attraction Program 2026-2027 recommendations – Unsuccessful) and *Attachment C* (Destination Event Attraction Program 2026-2027 – Assessment Scorecard) remain confidential indefinitely, on the grounds that they include private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that (i) relates to trade secrets; or (ii) if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage (Local Government Act 2020, s3(1)(g)). These grounds apply because the information is commercial information and would, if released, compromise Council's ability to obtain similar detailed information from tender applicants in the future.

Carried Unanimously

Chairperson's initials.....

13. RESPONSE TO NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

DRAFT

Chairperson's initials.....

14. NOTICES OF MOTION**14.1 2026/NOM05 - Strategic Partnerships Framework***(TR Customer Innovation and Arts)***Council Decision****Moved: Councillor Butler****Seconded: Councillor Wanat**

That Council:

1. Notes it is a member of a range of external organisations and partnerships, each with associated membership fees, resource commitments and varying levels of strategic benefits:
 - i. These memberships support its objectives, including advocacy, regional collaboration, service delivery and access to government and industry networks;
 - ii. Existing memberships have been established through different approval pathways, and the level of governance oversight, transparency and demonstrated value across these arrangements varies;
 - iii. There is currently no single, formal framework guiding how Council enters, renews, reviews or exits external memberships and strategic partnerships;
2. Resolves to develop a Strategic Partnerships Framework to provide clear, consistent, and transparent parameters for its memberships to and associated partnerships with external organisations.

The Strategic Partnerships Framework will include defined approval processes, governance requirements, renewal cycles and exit pathways, with clearly articulated expectations regarding lobbying and advocacy on Council-related matters, and explicit governance controls to ensure that all partnerships operate in a manner that protects Council's decision-making integrity, mitigates risks of undue influence or perceived bias, and maintains public confidence in Council's role as the Local Government Authority;
3. Receives a Councillor briefing on the Strategic Partnership Framework by September 2026; and
4. Ensures that no new partnerships or memberships with external organisations are entered into by Officers on behalf of Frankston City Council without an approved Council resolution in the interim period, and until the Strategic Partnerships Framework is endorsed.

Carried Unanimously

14.3 2026/NOM07 - Family Violence Amelioration – Service Review and Next Steps
(TB Communities)

That Council:

1. Requests a report to the September 2026 Council Meeting assessing the current approach to family violence amelioration and identifying opportunities to enhance service effectiveness;
2. Notes that no funding uplift for this line-item has occurred since 2020; and
3. The report is to outline evidence-based options and recommended next steps to strengthen outcomes, including any proposed service improvements, partnerships, or delivery models.

Deferral Motion to another Council Meeting**Moved: Councillor Green****Seconded: Councillor O'Reilly**

That the matter be deferred to the next Council Meeting on 13 July 2026.

Carried Unanimously

Chairperson's initials.....

15. LATE REPORTS

Nil

16. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

17. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil Reports

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Chairperson's initials.....

The meeting was closed to the public at 9.01 pm

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CONFIRMED THIS

DAY OF

2026

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CHAIRPERSON

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