Instructions to heritage consultants undertaking the Hoddle Grid Heritage Review and Carlton Heritage Review in relation to grading systems

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Hoddle Grid Heritage Review

The City of Melbourne engaged a heritage consultant to undertake stage one of the Hoddle Grid Heritage Review in the 2016-17 financial year.

The tender project specification for this work advised that Amendment C258 proposes to replace the current ‘A’ to ‘D’ grading system with the standardised Victorian Government significant/contributory/non-contributory system (page 6).

The specification identified that that the recommendations for inclusion in the Melbourne Planning Scheme should be according to City of Melbourne’s proposed significant/contributory/non-contributory grading system (page 10, 17).

Carlton Heritage Review

The City of Melbourne has engaged a heritage consultant to undertake a Carlton Heritage Review in the 2018-19 financial year.

The consultant brief for this work advised that the proposed heritage review should be consistent with the recommendations of Amendment C258 (page 6). It identified that Amendment C258 includes a review of the heritage local planning policies (Clause 22.04 and 22.05) in the Melbourne Planning Scheme and proposes to replace the A to D grading system with the significant/contributory/non-contributory grading system to align with best practice.

The consultant brief advised that the project must be undertaken in accordance with the DELWP ‘Applying the Heritage Overlay practice note (PPN 01) and the guide ‘Protecting Local Heritage Places: A National Guide for Local Government and the Community’ (2009) (page 7).

The consultant brief indicated that the recommendations for new heritage overlays for post-contact sites of significance were to be in the significant/contributory/non-contributory grading system (page 9).