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Delegation No 1(5)

"To request reports from the relevant line functionaries on activities planned to be executed within the Subcouncil."

MOTION OF EXIGENCY

**ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF ROAD RESERVE
BETWEEN VIKING WAY AND GUNNERS CIRCLE EPPING INDUSTRIA 1**

BACKGROUND

The problems in the area have been on-going since the early 1990s and are well documented. The Traders which are occupying the road reserve between Viking Way and Gunners Circle in Epping have had a seriously negative impact on the industries operating in the area resulting with some businesses exiting Epping. The problems in the area were exacerbated by the traders evicting the people who were employed by them and were living in their shacks. This resulted in these homeless building their own shacks on the Viking Way side and the number of shacks increasing over the years. The presence of the homeless has caused on going serious social problems in the residential area of Thornton.

MOTIVATION

There is no consistent effort by the City to control the illegal activities of those occupying the land and appear to have no will to resolve the final removal of the illegal occupiers. We understand that over the past year two eviction notices were served on all occupiers but the process has ground to a halt resulting in an increase in occupiers and illegal activities.

RESOLUTION

The Ward Committee for Ward 53 calls upon the Ward Councillor to table the following motion at the next Subcouncil meeting.

MOTION

The Industrialists in Epping Industria 1 and the residents of Thornton are no longer prepared to accept the lack of action by the City

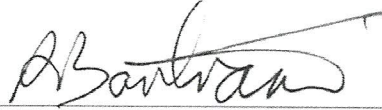
- a) in evicting the illegal traders and the illegal occupiers of the land between Viking Way and Gunners Circle
- b) in taking sustainable action regarding the illegal activities of the Traders and occupiers

And therefore:

Calls on the both the Mayor and City Manager to take personal oversight of:

- a) The process that needs to be followed to ensure the Permanent eviction of the illegal Traders and the illegal occupiers
- b) Ongoing action against the illegal activities by the Traders and Occupiers while the eviction process is being followed

MEMBER (SUBMITTED BY):



DATE:

7 February 2019

SECONDED BY:



R. REIS.

DATE:

7 February 2019

CHAIRPERSON:



DATE:

7 February 2019