



## ROYAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA INC.

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Submission to Melbourne City Council Future Melbourne Committee

re: Melbourne Planning Scheme Amendments C327 and C328  
Hoddle Grid Heritage Review

The Royal Historical Society of Victoria strongly supports the work done by the Hoddle Grid Heritage Review. We commend the Melbourne City Council Urban Strategy section and Heritage Team for their excellent work. The study is exemplary and once implemented will provide a sound and solid base for heritage protection and development of the CBD.

We urge the Future Melbourne Committee to accept all the management recommendations set out in Agenda Item 6.1. Implementation is urgent to provide clarity and certainty for developers and for property owners.

Melbourne's historic fabric is crucial to its charm and to its ability to attract visitors. Maintaining what remains of it is one of the most significant challenges facing Council. The excellent work done for the Review gives Council a unique opportunity to progress both heritage and development.

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