



## MELBOURNE SOUTH YARRA RESIDENTS GROUP INC.

*Established by the residents of South Yarra in 1969*

# BULLETIN

## CITY OF MELBOURNE LORD MAYOR BY-ELECTION

### ITS TIME TO VOTE: YOUR VOTE IS ESSENTIAL

Following the discussion at our public meeting on 29 April we must now consider who we want to be our next Lord Mayor.

Having heard and read what the candidates have to say, spoken to some privately, seen two of them in action at council meetings and considered the information for all the candidates it is an appropriate time for MSYRG to explain our conclusions.

**However, these are merely our views and everyone must make their own inquiries and come to their own conclusion about who will make the best Lord Mayor.**

There are qualities and skills in all candidates standing but we think there are three candidates who could make a good Lord Mayor. They are Rohan Leppert, Sally Warhaft and Sally Capp. They are intelligent, articulate and presentable but they are different and we all must decide who is more likely to bring about the changes that are so necessary.

Our comments about each of them are as follows.

### **Rohan Leppert**

A long-time resident of Melbourne with a particular interest in heritage and controlled development, a hardworking, smart Councillor with a good knowledge of the Local Government and City of Melbourne Acts, of Councillors and how local government and Council operate **But** with no significant leadership and no outside business experience.

## **Sally Warhaft**

Independent, no prior involvement with council, capable and with qualifications relating to what a community must do to live well together and prosper

**But** has no significant managerial experience.

## **Sally Capp**

A professional campaign, has good management and business experience, represented Melbourne overseas and has an understanding of property law that affects Melbourne.

**But** has limited knowledge and experience of heritage laws, the Local Government and City of Melbourne Acts and issues that determine how Council operates, is not a Melbourne resident and is the one most likely to have property and big business connections.

## **Our view, but you must form your own.**

**Leppert**-has the knowledge, work ethic and experience to implement the necessary changes.

**Warhaft**-as an outsider with no obligations to others should have the skills, independence and determination to bring about change.

**Capp**-has good credentials but the financial support she has received for her campaign and property council background strongly suggest she is backed by some big interests with the obligations that usually involves.

## **VOTING**

Put a number in **all boxes** as otherwise your vote will not count. It will be informal

If you agree with our view we suggest you number the first two of these candidates in whatever order you choose (1 and 2) and the third candidate lower down the ballot paper

Complete and post your Ballot Paper **well before the deadline of 6pm on Friday 11 May.**

If you have any questions:

- look on our website: [www.msyrg.com.au](http://www.msyrg.com.au) You can read answers from candidates to our questions
- contact the candidate direct via the Victorian Electoral Commission: [www.vec.vic.gov.au](http://www.vec.vic.gov.au)
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