

From the Office of the Mayor

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The Hon Richard Wynne MP Minister for Planning Level 20, 1 Spring Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

via email (richard.wynne@parliament.vic.gov.au)

Dear Minister

UPDATE SOUGHT ON WAVERLEY PARK POWERLINES DECISION

On behalf of Monash Council, I am writing to seek an update on a major issue of concern to residents of the Waverley Park estate in Mulgrave and to our Council.

According to reports in the local media, the Waverley Park Transmission Lines Advisory Committee delivered its report and recommendations to your office in February. As you would appreciate, residents and Council are keen to know what the report recommends. Even more importantly, we would like to know what your government's decision will be.

We are very hopeful that Mirvac will be required to put the powerlines underground, in keeping with the legal and moral commitments they made to Waverley Park residents. As we said in our submission to the committee, we also hope that Condition 50 of the permit will be amended to require that the undergrounding of the powerlines occur prior to the expiry of the permit.

Retention of the overhead powerlines will be detrimental to the visual character of the area, will have a detrimental effect on the amenity of a significant number of residential properties, and will have a significant impact on the future use and development of the affected proposed open space.

We would be most grateful if your office could provide an update on when you expect to make a recommendation to the Governor-in-Council by contacting Peter Panagakos, Director – City Development, on 9518 3507. Thank you for giving this matter your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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Mayor

cc. The Hon Daniel Andrews MP, Premier of Victoria