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Mid-Century Modern Voluntary Nominations Update		
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<p>At the Council Meeting of 19 July 2022, Councillors resolved that 28 properties, 'do not meet the relevant threshold for inclusion in a heritage overlay'. At the following link, it is also stated that 'Council considered feedback from the preliminary consultation on this Study at its July 2022 meeting and resolved to remove 28 properties from inclusion in a heritage overlay' https://yoursay.bayside.vic.gov.au/post-war-heritage</p> <p>At the forthcoming meeting of Council on 22 Nov 22, at agenda item 10.2, Councillors are being invited to resolve (in part) 'that Council: 1) writes to the Minister for Planning to seek authorisation to prepare Planning Scheme Amendment C196bays to: a) permanently apply the Heritage Overlay to seven (7) voluntarily nominated residential properties, excluding 113 Dalgetty Road, Beaumaris and 153 Tramway Parade, Beaumaris.'</p> <p>Attachment 2, to agenda item 10.2 includes the Heritage Citations for each of the properties, proposed to be included in C 196bays. In these citations the addresses and photos of several properties that were removed by Council at its 19 July meeting can be found. Two addresses that immediately caught my eye are 1 Herbert St, Beaumaris and 50 Scott St, Beaumaris, both can be found at page 74/659 of the agenda. There may also be other properties that were removed by Councillors, however, two is sufficient for me to illustrate the point.</p> <p>If the properties have been removed by Councillors, why have they been included by GJM Consulting in the Mid-Century Modern Heritage Study – Stage 2 – Peer Review & Amended, as 'examples that are similar in form and detailing to 7 Coreen Avenue, Beaumaris and which also remain highly intact.'</p> <p>If Council officers are using the Practitioner's guide to Victoria's planning schemes, Version 1.5, April 2022, it states at 5.2.2 Heritage, that 'the heritage process leading to the identification of a place must clearly justify the significance of the place as a basis for its inclusion in the Heritage Overlay. The documentation for each place must therefore include a statement of significance that clearly establishes the importance of the place and addresses the heritage criteria....This statement must be included as an incorporated document in the planning scheme.' Whilst the statement of significance is set out separately on page 77/659 it is presented as a part of the Heritage Citation 'package' for 7 Coreen Avenue.</p> <p>What I seek is to obtain a clear understanding as to why removed properties have been included in agenda item 10.2?</p> <p>To me, in this context, removed means that the property referred to has been taken out of consideration and thus should be taken out of any related document to ensure the integrity of the process and the internal consistency of documentation, given Councillors decision to remove the 28 listed properties. Keeping any reference to a removed property in a Heritage Citation and in the agenda item, presents to me as carrying the property forward so that it can be called up, for another 'go at it' at a later date.</p> <p>In this entire exercise, certainty was one of the words frequently used. In the letter to affected property owners, it is stated that 'the following properties do not meet the relevant threshold for inclusion in a heritage overlay', with two of these properties being 1 Herbert St and 50 Scott St, Beaumaris.</p>		

I respectfully request that Councillors move an amending motion to that which is recommended at page 41/659, one that makes it abundantly clear that all 28 properties that have not met the relevant threshold for inclusion in a heritage overlay are removed from GJM's work presented at Attachment 2 to the agenda for Council's meeting on 22 Nov 22 and from any future Heritage Citations.