

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

*DRAFT VARIATION TO THE TERRITORY PLAN (NO.48)  
FOR  
MONASH SECTION 20 BLOCK 1*

**REPORT NO.6  
OF THE  
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT**

**NOVEMBER 1995**

## ***Background***

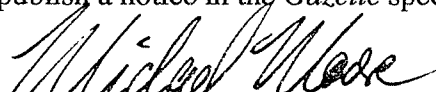
1. Sections 25 and 26 of the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* require the Executive to refer draft Variations to the Territory Plan to an appropriate committee of the Legislative Assembly for report, and for the Executive to then have regard to the committee's recommendations before approving any Variation. The Standing Committee on Planning and Environment is the appropriate committee to consider such draft Variations.
2. In September 1995 the Minister for the Environment, Land and Planning, Mr Gary Humphries MLA, referred to this committee the draft Variation and background papers relating to a draft Variation to the Territory Plan (No.48) for Monash Section 20 Block 1 (corner of Charleston Street and Blakey Close).
3. The Variation proposes to change the Land Use Policy for the block from Local Centre (Commercial D) to Residential.
4. The committee was briefed on the draft Variation by ACT Administration officials on 12 September and 20 October 1995. The committee again considered the matter at its meetings on 27 October 1995
5. On 17 November 1995 the committee adopted the recommendation referred to below. In making its decision, the committee carefully considered other possible uses of the site. The committee remains concerned about the poor planning decision (made years ago) that identified this site as Local Centre (Commercial D).

## ***Recommendation***

6. *The committee endorses the draft Variation to the Territory Plan (No.48) for Monash Section 20 Block 1 (corner of Charleston Street and Blakey Close).*

## ***Postscript***

7. The *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* requires the ACT Executive to have regard to any recommendation contained in a report of an appropriate committee of the Legislative Assembly before approving a draft Variation to the Territory Plan. If it does approve a draft Variation following the committee's report, the Executive must table its decision within five sitting days of approval.
8. A further five sitting days is then provided for any Member of the Assembly to move that the Variation be rejected in whole or in part. Any such motion must be dealt with by the Assembly within five sitting days.
9. If a Variation is not rejected by the Assembly, the ACT Planning Authority will publish a notice in the *Gazette* specifying the date of commencement of the Variation.

  
Michael Moore MLA  
Chair - 17 November 1995