Comments on Building C

Weather protection

Weather protection for people accessing and leaving the station as well as people walking past the building needs to be better addressed. The design as shown includes awnings – but these do not extend for the length of the building on Hume Street or Clarke Street. They also do not wrap around the corner of the building on Hume and Clarke Street.

The building should be required to provide awnings that extend along the full frontage of all sides of the development. This will create better conditions for the community, when there is wet weather or strong sunshine. For example, a person moving between the retail frontage on Hume Street and the station entrance will get wet under the current design because the awning is not continuous.

Page 32 of Architectural Design Report identifies that these awnings will provide protection from localized wind turbulence. Extending the length of the awnings to cover the whole pedestrian area at ground level will increase protection from wind turbulence.

Page 33 notes that the kiss and ride drop off and pick up zone is located on Hume Street and Clarke Street frontages. The awning should be extended for the length of the building so that public transport customers have the option of waiting under the awning. The extended awning would maximise the length of their walking trip that is under cover.

Street trees

The provision of street trees need to be a requirement on Hume Street and Clarke Street. This would improve the pedestrian amenity. Trees would further assist in addressing weather protection. They would also contribute to place making. The awnings can be designed to accommodate street trees.