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ASU – the Local Government workers union

ASU members to rally against Melbourne City Council

Australian Services Union members employed by Melbourne City Council will hold a rally tomorrow (Thursday, July 29) as the failure to provide them with a safe workplace and adequately deal with bullying and harassment continues.

Council has threatened to deduct the day's wages of those who attend the rally, which according to ASU Assistant Secretary Igor Grattan is a blatant attack on the rights of workers.

"It is amazing to think that the Council would be willing to dock the pay of those who attend the meeting, despite it happening during their lunch breaks. Management have put out a notification to staff that tomorrow's rally is an unauthorised meeting. Time and time again, the ASU has requested numerous meetings with CEO Kathy Alexander, who has flat out refused, so we have no choice but to rally at the front of Town Hall."

"A fortnight ago, workers at Melbourne City Council registered a complaint on behalf of ASU members against Melbourne City Council amidst constant allegations of bullying and intimidation from management. This sort of behaviour should not be allowed to continue."

"The ASU is calling on the CEO, Mayor and Councillors to meet with ASU OH&S Officer Russell McGregor in an attempt to resolve all matters amicably between both parties for once and for all."

ASU members rally at Melbourne City Council
When: Thursday, July 29, at 12.30pm
Where: Outside the Melbourne Town Hall (90-120 Swanston St, Melbourne)

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