

Relevant Information for Council

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TO: Lord Mayor and Councillors

FROM: Emma Rigney, Director City Life

THROUGH: Monica Barone PSM, Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Information Relevant To Item 9.3 - Grants and Sponsorship – Post Exhibition – Dixon Street Improvement Grant Guidelines and Haymarket Activation Grant Guidelines

For Noting

This memo is for the information of the Lord Mayor and Councillors.

Purpose

To provide clarification about terms in the grant guidelines and restrictions on activities that take place elsewhere in applicants' venues, and how we apply our ethics framework for these grants in particular.

Background

At the meeting of the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee on 6 May 2024, further information was sought about terms in the Dixon Street Improvement and Haymarket Activation Grant Guidelines. In particular, what restrictions on activities that take place elsewhere in applicants' venues and how we apply our ethics framework for these grants in particular.

The current proposed guidelines for both the Dixon Street improvement grant and Haymarket activation grant include a line stating that 'projects that directly contravene the eligibility and ethics framework or existing City of Sydney policies' will not be eligible. The ethics requirements under the City of Sydney [Grants and Sponsorship Policy](#) will apply to all grants issued under this program.

All applicants are required to declare as part of their submission that they (being an individual or organisation) and their project aligns to the City's ethics framework and must comply with all applicable laws.

Given this is the first time these types of grants will be available, we will be briefing applicants thoroughly on what is required and what will not be accepted and ensure rigorous assessment for these negotiated grants.

All matters related to any required planning approval will be considered separately by the appropriate consent authority in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

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