

**27 SEPTEMBER 2004**

**Meeting No 1417**

**MINUTES** of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council of the City of Sydney held in the Finance Committee Room at the Sydney Town Hall, commencing at 12.01pm on 27 September 2004 pursuant to Notice 15/1417 dated 23 September 2004.

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**PRESENT**

The Right Hon The Lord Mayor Councillor Clover Moore MP  
(Chair)

Councillors - Phillip Black, Verity Firth, Chris Harris, Marcelle Hoff, Robyn Kemmis, The Hon Michael Lee, Shayne Mallard, John McInerney and Tony Pooley.

At the commencement of business at 12.01pm those present were:-

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Black, Firth, Harris, Hoff, Kemmis, Lee, Mallard, McInerney and Pooley.

The General Manager, General Counsel, Acting Director City Development and Finance Manager (on behalf of the Director Corporate Services) were also present.

### **Closed Meeting**

At 12.02pm the Extraordinary Meeting of Council resolved -

That, due notice of the intention to close the meeting having been given, the meeting be closed in accordance with the provisions of Section 10A2(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 to discuss Item 1 on the agenda as this matter comprised information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business;

and it was further resolved that the meeting be closed for this item on the basis that discussion of this matter in open session would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest, specifically, there is a need to preserve confidentiality having regard to the subject matter and the circumstances of communications.

Item 1 was then dealt with by Council while the meeting was closed to the public.

### **ITEM 1. SYDNEY SQUARE**

Note - in view of the confidential nature of the subject matter, the Council determined that the Resolution on this matter remain confidential until the contract to purchase the property, the subject of the resolution, is entered into.

Note - the confidential Memorandum by the General Manager on Sydney Square was circulated to all Councillors.

### **Open Session**

At this stage of the meeting, at 12.35pm, the Extraordinary Meeting of Council was re-opened to the public.

The following item was then dealt with by the Extraordinary Meeting of Council while the meeting was open to the public.

### **Business of which due notice had not been given**

At this stage of the meeting, pursuant to the provisions of Clause 15(2) of the Local Government (Meetings) Regulation 1999, it was -

Moved by Councillor Pooley, seconded by Councillor McInerney -

That, as a matter of urgency -

This Council express its support for the Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor McInerney, and looks forward to a wide-ranging discussion on future proposals for Green Square.

The Chair (the Lord Mayor), in responding to the proposal that this matter be dealt with as a matter of urgency at this meeting, referred to -

- a memorandum that the Lord Mayor had sent to Councillors the previous week;
- correspondence from the Director General, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources which had been sent to Councillors; and
- the actions that the Lord Mayor proposed to take.

In view of these matters, the Chair (the Lord Mayor) ruled, pursuant to the provisions of Clause 15(2)(b) of the Local Government (Meetings) Regulation 1999, that the business proposed to be brought forward was not a matter of urgency.

At 12.40pm the meeting concluded.

Chair of a meeting of the Council of the City  
of Sydney held on 18 October 2004 at which  
meeting the signature herein was subscribed.