

Item 8

Report of the Cultural and Creative Committee - 6 May 2024

Item 8.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Gannon, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor)–

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee of Monday 4 March 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 8.2**Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest**

Councillor Adam Worling disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 on the agenda, in that he represented the Lord Mayor by speaking at the City Recital Hall Amplification Renewal Project in July 2023. Since then, he has attended the venue to meet with City Hall CEO Justin Boschetti and has accepted the City's Protocol tickets to attend performances at the venue.

Councillor Worling considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he did not discuss Item 8.3 with anyone from City Recital Hall and it has not influenced his decision today.

No other Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee.

The Cultural and Creative Committee recommends the following:

Item 8.3

Grants and Sponsorship - Ad Hoc Grant - City Recital Hall Limited - Additional Funding Request

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve a cash grant of \$300,000 (excluding GST) in 2024/25 to City Recital Hall Limited to provide additional operational support and financial stability; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a deed of variation to the current operational funding agreement with City Recital Hall Limited to provide the cash grant approved by this report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Gannon, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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Speaker

Rachel Launders (City Recital Hall) addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee on Item 8.3.