

Resolution of Council

26 July 2021

Item 13.15

Paddington Reservoir

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Phelps -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
 - (i) the City of Sydney needs and support quality and affordable childcare services for the community;
 - (ii) KU Laurel Tree House provides quality child care services to the Glebe community;
 - (iii) KU Laurel Tree is much loved by the Glebe community as detailed in the Love Letter to KU Laurel Tree House detailing the experiences of generations of children and parents who have used the Centre;
 - (iv) the Glebe community want to see the KU Laurel Tree House continue to operate in Glebe; and
 - (v) KU Laurel Tree House have advised parents they are closing their doors at the end of the year as the NSW Government is selling the building they are operating in; and
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the NSW Minister for Water, Property and Housing, the Hon Melinda Pavey:
 - (i) confirming the City's support for retaining the State-owned buildings in Glebe in public hands; and
 - (ii) requesting the NSW Department of Housing undertake the necessary repairs to the Laurel Tree House building so that it can continue to operate as a child care centre.

Amendment. Moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Thalís –

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- (vi) the City of Sydney and the Lord Mayor have consistently called on the NSW Government to retain publicly owned buildings across the Local Government Area; and
- (vii) the Lord Mayor wrote to the Hon Melinda Pavey on 17 May 2021 asking that the NSW Government urgently investigate retaining KU Laurel Tree House to allow this important childcare service to continue to operate.

The amendment was carried unanimously.

The substantive motion was carried unanimously.

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