

Resolution of Council

18 September 2023

Item 6.4

Contract Variation - Future Management and Operation of Aquatic Leisure Centres and Belgravia Leisure

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the confidential Aquatic Leisure Services Management Options Evaluation and Research Report recommendations as outlined in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council prepare and release a summary of the Aquatic Leisure Services Management Options Evaluation and Research Report to the public. Confidential information is to be removed or redacted from the public version of the report, only where – consistent with the City of Sydney’s Access to Information policy - there is an overriding public interest against disclosure;
- (C) Council approve an exemption from tender in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 for the extension of the current contracts for management of Cook and Phillip Park, Ian Thorpe Aquatic Centre, Prince Alfred Park, Victoria Park and Andrew (Boy) Charlton Pools; and the contract for Gunyama Park Aquatic and Recreation Centre;
- (D) Council note that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the following reasons:
 - (i) a suitable provider will not be able to be sourced, transitioned into operating and provide value for money in the 15-month period;
 - (ii) extending the term of the current provider will allow the continuation of service to the community while staff conduct an expression of interest and select tender to ensure the best commercial and community service outcomes; and
 - (iii) extending the term of the current provider will also allow staff to incorporate the final recommendations of the Aquatic Leisure Services Management Options Evaluation - Evaluation Summary into the future tender contract and deliverables;

- (E) Council approve the extension of the current contracts for management of Cook and Phillip Park, Ian Thorpe Aquatic Centre, Prince Alfred Park, Victoria Park and Andrew (Boy) Charlton Pools; and the contract for Gunyama Park Aquatic and Recreation Centre for 15 months to 30 June 2025;
- (F) Council approve a variation to the two current contracts with Belgravia Health and Leisure Group Pty Limited as Trustee for The Belgravia Unit Trust to change the term and total contract value of both contracts;
- (G) Council approve the additional operational funds requested until the end of the contract term on 30 June 2025 as outlined in Confidential Attachment C to the subject report. Sufficient funds are allocated within the approved 2023-2024 operating budget and future years' forward estimates;
- (H) Council note the development of an Asset Renewal and Upgrade Plan will be undertaken as part of ongoing asset management work; and
- (I) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise negotiations and enter into any necessary documentation with Belgravia Health and Leisure Group Pty Limited as Trustee for The Belgravia Unit Trust to give effect to the clauses above.

The motion, as varied by consent, was carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (6) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chan, Davis, Kok, Gannon and Worling

Noes (3) Councillors Ellsmore, Scott and Weldon.

Carried.

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