

Resolution of Council

4 March 2019

Item 2

Waterloo Estate Redevelopment - A Better Way for the Community

Alternative recommendation. Moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Miller –

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) endorse the City's alternate proposal for the redevelopment of the Waterloo Estate and Waterloo Metro Quarter and approves the presentation of the City's proposal to the Waterloo community at the public meeting on 6 March 2019 to get the community's feedback and comment;
- (B) call on the NSW Government to return planning authority for the Waterloo Estate and Waterloo Metro Quarter redevelopment to the City of Sydney to ensure consistency with the NSW Government's own Better Places policy and the Greater Sydney Commission's Eastern Sydney District Plan;
- (C) endorse an increase in the ratio of social and affordable housing on this publicly owned site to 50 per cent social housing, 20 per cent affordable housing and 30 per cent private housing to address the urgent need for more social housing in the inner city highlighted in the latest City of Sydney street count which showed an increase in homelessness in our area and to also address the critical shortage of affordable housing for essential workers in the inner city;
- (D) call on the NSW Government to allocate proceeds from the sale of social housing properties within the City of Sydney local government area to the Waterloo Housing Estate redevelopment including the \$591 million from the sale of social housing at Millers Point and the \$43 million held by the UrbanGrowth Development Corporation in development contributions from the Central Park development in Chippendale for affordable housing that must be spent in the Redfern-Waterloo area;
- (E) call on the NSW Government to retain public ownership of this land through the use of leasehold provisions; and

- (F) call for a significant increase in commercial space and a reduction in residential dwellings in the Waterloo Metro Quarter, particularly along Botany Road, noting that the current government plan is in direct conflict with the health and wellbeing of future residents as well as the City's ability to achieve job targets set by the District Plan because it:
- (i) exposes future residents to significant air and noise pollution along Botany Road including oversize vehicles carrying dangerous goods between Sydney Airport/Port Botany and Sydney's northern suburbs; and
 - (ii) prioritises residential development ahead of commercial, enterprise and cultural uses that would grow the economy.

The motion was carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (7) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Scott, Kok, Miller, Scully, Thalys and Vithoulkas

Noes (2) Councillors Chung and Forster.

Motion carried.