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Present

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

Members Deputy Lord Mayor - Councillor Jess Scully, Councillor Craig Chung, Councillor Christine Forster, Councillor Robert Kok, Councillor Jess Miller, Councillor Professor Kerryn Phelps AM, Councillor Linda Scott, Councillor Professor Philip Thalys and Councillor Angela Vithoukias.

At the commencement of business at 5.06pm, those present were:-

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Scully, Councillor Chung, Councillor Forster, Councillor Kok, Councillor Miller, Councillor Phelps, Councillor Scott, Councillor Thalys and Councillor Vithoukias.

The Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Director City Projects and Property, Director People, Performance and Technology, Director City Planning, Development and Transport, Director Legal and Governance and Director City Life were also present.

Councillor Forster left the meeting of Council at 6.07pm, prior to discussion on Item 6.4, and returned at 6.09pm, after the vote on Item 6.4. Councillor Forster was not present at, or in sight of, the meeting of Council during discussion or voting on Item 6.4.

Councillor Vithoukias left the meeting of Council at 6.12pm, prior to the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.10, and returned at 6.13pm, after the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.10. Councillor Vithoukias was not present at, or in sight of, the meeting of Council during discussion or voting on clause (B) of Item 6.10.

Councillor Phelps left the meeting of Council at 6.14pm, prior to the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.11, and returned at 6.15pm, after the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.11. Councillor Phelps was not present at, or in sight of, the meeting of Council during discussion or voting on clause (B) of Item 6.11.

Councillor Scott left the meeting of Council at 6.19pm, prior to the vote on Item 7.2, and returned at 7.46pm, after the vote on Item 7.5. Councillor Scott was not present at, or in sight of, the meeting of Council during discussion or voting on Items 7.2 and 7.5.

Remote Meeting

The Chair (the Lord Mayor) advised that the meeting of Council was being held via audio visual links, with Councillors (and relevant staff) attending the meeting remotely.

Opening Prayer and Acknowledgement of Country

The Lord Mayor opened the meeting with prayer and an acknowledgement of country.

Webcasting Statement

The Chair (the Lord Mayor), advised that in accordance with the City of Sydney Code of Meeting Practice, Council meetings are audio visually recorded and webcast live on the City of Sydney website. The Chair (the Lord Mayor) asked that courtesy and respect be observed throughout the meeting and advised those in attendance to refrain from making defamatory statements.

Item 1 Confirmation of Minutes

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

That the Minutes of the meeting of Council of Monday, 20 September 2021, and the extraordinary meeting of Council of Monday, 5 October 2021, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 2 Disclosures of Interest

The Lord Mayor (Councillor Clover Moore) disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. The Lord Mayor stated that the amount was not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances. The Lord Mayor was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and she has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.

Councillor Robert Kok disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Councillor Kok stated that he was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and he has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.

Councillor Philip Thalys made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that the University of NSW (UNSW) is a recommended recipient of a grant, at which he is a Fractional Professor. Councillor Thalys considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee report became available and he has not discussed this grant with the recipient.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock, who is associated with Sydney Fringe Festival, made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Sydney Fringe Festival is a recommended grant recipient. Councillor Thalys stated that he considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee report became available and has not discussed this grant with the recipient.

Councillor Kerryn Phelps disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that she is a patron of the ACON Pride in Health + Wellbeing program. ACON is recommended for a grant. Councillor Phelps stated that she has not been approached or had any discussion with any person about this grant, but for an abundance of caution, she would be absent for the decision on that grant in this item.

Councillor Jess Miller disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Councillor Miller considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.

Councillor Jess Scully made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that Mundane Matters Pty Ltd is recommended for a Knowledge Exchange Sponsorship. They are a local business specialising in the circular economy. I recently provided a testimonial for this business in support of their processes and product, not related to their project under consideration. Councillor Scully considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not required further action in the circumstances because she was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published, and have had no communication with them about their grant application.

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Councillor Scully stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.4 on the agenda, in that she helped initiate this project with Women's Community Shelters, City West Housing and the Student Accommodation Association, as per her Notice of Motion on 26 July 2021. Councillor Scully stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not discussed this item with the Women's Community Shelters since she became aware they would be submitting a proposal to the City for consideration of project funding.

Councillor Linda Scott made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.10 on the agenda, in that Clara Klemski, a board member of Brand X, an organisation recommended to receive grant funding, made a donation of \$25 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2018. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that the owner of Parliament on King, a business not recommended to receive a grant in Item 6.11, is known to her family. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that she sits on the advisory board of the Centre for Workforce Futures at Macquarie University. An unrelated part of the university is recommended to receive grant funding for a project unrelated to the Centre for Workforce Futures in Item 6.11. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with any individual regarding this item and was unaware of the grant application and recommendation until the Committee papers were published.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that a number of staff from the University of Technology Sydney have made donations to the City of Sydney Labour team both in 2021 and in the past. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with any individual regarding this item.
- a pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that she owns a house in trust for a disabled family member at 70 MacDonald Street Erskineville, a property that is recommended to receive grant funding. Councillor Scott stated that she would not be present for discussion or voting on this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Linda Leman, a resident of 27 Moorgate Street Chippendale, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$380 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2018. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Brad Deeth, a resident of 36-42 Refinery Drive Pyrmont, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$100 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2016. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances, because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Donald Denoon, a resident of 36-42 Refinery Drive Pyrmont, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$200 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2021. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances, because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Christina Juchniewicz, a resident of 36-42 Refinery Drive Pyrmont, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$120 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2021. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had any contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.5 on the agenda, in that, more than four years ago, Jonathan Yee, a former City of Sydney Labor team member, and the General Manager of Emperor's Garden, a restaurant in Chinatown, made a donation of \$2,000 to the City of Sydney's Labor team in 2016. Councillor Scott stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant, but in an abundance of caution, she would not be present for voting and discussion on this matter.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.5 on the agenda, in that in researching a motion on long-term funding for social services, Glebe Youth Service, an organisation recommended to receive a grant, was consulted and discussions of grants arose. Councillor Scott stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not discussed this grant application with the organisation.

Councillor Angela Vithoukias disclosed a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.10 on the agenda, in that she has had a friendship with some of the board of Monkey Baa Theatre, although she is not sure if they are still part of the organisation. Councillor Vithoukias has not had any contact with them about this grant at all, and the first time she was aware of their participation in the grant round was when she read the Committee papers this week. Councillor Vithoukias stated that she would not be present at, or in sight of, the meeting at any time this matter is being considered, discussed or voted on by the Council or Committee.

Councillor Christine Forster disclosed a pecuniary interest in Item 6.4 on the agenda, in that she is employed as the Senior Media Advisor in the Corporate Affairs department of Woodside Energy, the largest Australian natural gas production company. Councillor Forster stated that she would not be present at, nor in sight of, the meeting at any time this matter is being considered, discussed or voted on by the Council or Committee.

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

Local Government and Planning Legislation Amendment (Political Donations) Act 2008

No disclosures were made by any members of the public at this meeting of Council.

Item 3 Minutes by the Lord Mayor

Item 3.1 Social and Affordable Housing

Minute by the Lord Mayor

To Council:

Access to affordable and social housing is essential for a diverse, cohesive, and economically successful global city. The high cost of housing is an important economic and social issue in Sydney, particularly in the city where housing prices are among the highest in Australia. Affordability affects the city's ability to attract and retain workers. It is a myth that the market and supply will solve the housing crisis. Despite record development levels (\$35 billion over last 17 years), prices have not come down in the inner city. Less than one per cent of total housing is classed as affordable within the City of Sydney.

Whilst the City is committed to tackling housing affordability any way it can, housing is the responsibility of the NSW Government and it must do more to ensure everyone has access to affordable housing.

To achieve this, I call on the NSW Government to establish clear targets for the delivery of social and affordable rental homes, to build capacity in the community housing sector and to provide financial support for its delivery.

What the City is doing

The City uses its planning powers to support the increase of social and affordable housing by:

- giving around \$343 million in developer contributions to community housing providers (CHPs). For example, part of these developer contributions were given to City West Housing to deliver social and affordable rental housing with 57 dwellings at 35 O'Dea Avenue, Zetland;
- expanding our affordable housing levies across the entire local area which will result in over 1,000 additional affordable rental dwellings by 2036, subject to community housing providers being given the opportunity to deliver more projects;
- contributing around \$28 million in grants and subsidised land sales to community housing providers over the last 10 years through the Affordable and Diverse Housing Fund and selling City-owned sites like the Marion Street Council depot to St George Community Housing to deliver 160 new social and affordable apartments known as 11 Gibbons Street, Redfern;
- introducing innovative planning controls that allow for affordable housing in areas zoned for mixed business, so that community housing providers can access land at an affordable rate, such as the Southern Employment Lands that are located within Rosebery, Alexandria and St. Peters. The program ensures that as new jobs are created in and around the southern employment lands, some affordable rental housing is provided for essential and low-income earners; and
- entering into Voluntary Planning Agreements with developers who provide affordable housing as a public benefit alongside their development i.e. 19 affordable housing dwellings at 87 Bay Street, Glebe.

The NSW Government should establish clear and ambitious targets for the delivery of social and affordable housing on their own sites which would have a transformative effect for the City community by:

- providing a vital pathway out of homelessness and preventing people from becoming homeless;
- addressing severe rental stress experienced by people on low incomes in the private rental market by providing access to affordable rental housing;
- addressing the housing affordability crisis by ensuring essential and key workers such as nurses, paramedics, teachers, retail and hospitality staff can afford to live in our cities; and
- generating jobs in the construction and community housing sectors.

Housing for All: City of Sydney Local Housing Strategy

Council approved the City's local housing strategy, 'Housing for All', on 17 February 2020. It responds to the NSW Government's requirement for a long-term plan to guide the quantity, location and types of future housing in our area, as well as the NSW Government's request for overall local housing targets to meet forecast demand.

To achieve the local housing targets, the housing strategy includes a series of actions to facilitate, encourage and advocate for the provision of social and affordable rental housing in our local area, and more broadly across metropolitan Sydney.

Importantly, the City's housing strategy includes a commitment to ensure development in Redfern, Waterloo and other areas in the city will provide culturally appropriate affordable and social housing for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to prevent their displacement from the area.

On 14 September 2021, the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment conditionally approved the City's local housing strategy. The approval recognises the robust evidence base that underpins the housing strategy, which in turn provides a clear understanding of the housing needs of our local government area.

One of the strategy's key actions is to work with and encourage the NSW Government to deliver a minimum 25 per cent of floor space as affordable rental housing in perpetuity on all NSW Government sites, especially on those owned by the Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC).

Disappointingly, the Department rejected the City's affordable housing targets for developments on Land and Housing Corporation sites, which misses a significant opportunity to increase the amount of social and affordable homes in Sydney as we begin economic and social recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic.

For example, the City's planning proposal for Waterloo South that was approved in February 2021 to go on public exhibition proposed 920 social housing dwellings (30 per cent of all dwellings), 613 affordable housing dwellings (20 per cent of all dwellings) and 1,534 market dwellings (50 per cent of all dwellings) to be delivered on the site.

This is in comparison to Land and Housing Corporation's original planning proposal for Waterloo South proposed up to 30 per cent social housing, 65 per cent private market housing and just 5 per cent affordable housing.

A construction project of the scale of the Waterloo Estate redevelopment offers a significant opportunity to boost jobs in the construction sector and support the growth of community housing providers. Empowering community housing providers to deliver a larger share of a redevelopment project like Waterloo would increase their assets making them stronger and more self-sufficient. Eventually they would rely less on government loans and grants enabling the delivery of more social and affordable housing in the inner-city and across the state.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council continue to advocate for 25 per cent of floor space as affordable rental housing in perpetuity on all NSW Government sites, including on social housing sites; and
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Premier, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces and the Minister for Water, Property and Housing urging them to:
 - (i) reverse the decision to remove targets from the City's Housing Strategy for social and affordable rental housing on Land and Housing Corporation sites in our Local Government Area;
 - (ii) establish clear targets for the delivery of social and affordable rental homes, particularly on NSW Government owned land;
 - (iii) provide increased support to community housing providers to build their capacity; and
 - (iv) establish financial support for the delivery of social and affordable rental housing that includes appropriate wrap-around services to support vulnerable people in social housing.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE

Lord Mayor

Moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) –

That the Minute by the Lord Mayor be endorsed and adopted.

Variation. At the request of Councillor Chung, and by consent, the Minute was varied, such that it read as follows:

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council continue to advocate for 25 per cent of floor space as affordable rental housing in perpetuity on all NSW Land and Housing Corporation sites and all urban renewal development sites owned by the NSW Government in the City's Local Government Area; and
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Premier, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces and the Minister for Water, Property and Housing urging them to:
 - (i) reverse the decision to remove targets from the City's Housing Strategy for social and affordable rental housing on Land and Housing Corporation sites in our Local Government Area;
 - (ii) establish clear targets for the delivery of social and affordable rental homes, particularly on NSW Government owned land;
 - (iii) provide increased support to community housing providers to build their capacity; and
 - (iv) establish financial support for the delivery of social and affordable rental housing that includes appropriate wrap-around services to support vulnerable people in social housing.

Carried unanimously.

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Item 3.2 WorldPride 2023 - Opportunities for Oxford Street

Minute by the Lord Mayor

To Council:

In February 2023 Sydney will welcome Australia and the world to join us in celebrating WorldPride. This Festival, spanning almost three weeks, will be one of the largest events hosted in Sydney since the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. It will bring LGBTIQ+ communities, friends and allies to Sydney to celebrate belonging, pride and connection to our city and its unique culture. In showcasing our city to the world, WorldPride will demonstrate that Sydney is a welcoming inclusive city that values and supports our LGBTIQ+ citizens.

Oxford Street and its surrounding neighbourhoods, long recognised in Australia and internationally as the heart and home of Sydney's LGBTIQ+ communities, is expected to be a major focal point and activity hub for WorldPride and will build on strong ongoing support for Oxford Street and LGBTIQ+ communities.

This support was strongly expressed in the consultations for the Oxford Street Planning Proposal. Many participants told us they want Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ character to be recognised and retained.

Preparations for WorldPride 2023 and the resulting celebrations present opportunities to explore the protection, preservation and strengthening of Oxford Street and its surrounding neighbourhoods as a focal point for LGBTIQ+ community life and culture. Such an exploration would complement the theme for WorldPride 2023 - GATHER DREAM AMPLIFY. Earlier this year, the CEO of WorldPride, Kate Wickett, acknowledged the opportunity World Pride presented for community organisers and local businesses to collaborate with the City of Sydney on Oxford Street.

The City should seize this opportunity to build on the many actions we have already taken to support our LGBTIQ+ places and communities including:

- Installing the permanent Rainbow Crossing at Taylor Square South in 2019.
- Naming Equality Green - the area of Prince Alfred Park where 30,000 people gathered on 15 November 2017 to celebrate Australia's strong support for marriage equality - and installing a new 90-metre rainbow path at Equality Green's edge.
- Transitioning to flying the Progress Pride Flag at Taylor Square and raising the Flag at Sydney Town Hall to mark the beginning of the Sydney Gay and Mardi Gras Festival.
- Flying Progress Pride banners along Oxford Street at every available opportunity, replacing the Rainbow banners.
- Working with the Pride History Group to update the City's Oxford Street walking tour brochure, Parade focussing on LGBTIQ+ content and making it available through the City's Culture Walks app.
- Providing financial and logistical support for the annual Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Parade and Festival.
- Supporting Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras' successful bid with a cash sponsorship of \$50,000.

- Supporting pre-event planning and production of WorldPride 2023 with cash sponsorships totalling \$750,000.
- Supporting numerous LGBTIQ community organisations through our Grants and Sponsorships Programs.
- Working with LGBTIQ community organisations and government agencies to ensure LGBTIQ+ people feel safe and have access to support if they need it.
- Working in partnership with organisations to host awareness raising events including Wear It Purple Day, The Transgender Day of Visibility and Transgender Day of Remembrance.

WorldPride provides an opportunity to build on this work by develop an LGBTIQ+ Cultural and Social Place Strategy for Oxford Street, similar to those developed for LGBTIQ+ precincts in other cities. which would aim to strengthen Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ cultural identity and importance. This strategy would recognise the significance of Oxford Street for the LGBTIQ+ communities, identify important LGBTIQ+ places in the Oxford Street neighbourhood and set out opportunities for the City of Sydney, community organisations and the private sector to strengthen, support and promote the Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ cultural identity and importance.

Apart from the work undertaken by other cities to support their LGBTIQ+ communities and places, there is already extensive Australian and international research into LGBTIQ+ communities, cultures, places and histories could support the development of such a strategy.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) Oxford Street and its surrounding neighbourhoods have long been recognised as significant to LGBTIQ+ communities in Australia and internationally;
- (ii) the community has expressed strong support for retaining Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ character;
- (iii) WorldPride 2023 will bring increased national and international focus on Oxford Street; and
- (iv) preparations for and celebration of WorldPride 2023 presents new opportunities for protecting, preserving and strengthening Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ character; and

(B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate developing an LGBTIQ+ Cultural and Social Place Strategy for Oxford Street, similar to those developed in other cities, in consultation with WorldPride 2023, Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras, Pride History Group and other LGBTIQ+ community organisations which:

- (i) recognises the significance of Oxford Street for the LGBTIQ+ communities;
- (ii) identifies important LGBTIQ+ places in the Oxford Street neighbourhood;
- (iii) aims to strengthen Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ cultural identity and importance;
- (iv) builds on the extensive work already undertaken by the City of Sydney in support of the LGBTIQ community and the Oxford Street neighbourhood;
- (v) draws on the existing extensive body of research relating to the Sydney LGBTIQ community, Oxford Street and LGBTIQ places and neighbourhoods and other LGBTIQ+ communities, cultures, places and histories;

- (vi) considers examples of work undertaken by other cities to support their LGBTIQ+ communities and places;
- (vii) sets out opportunities for the City of Sydney, community organisations and the private sector to support and promote the Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ cultural identity and importance;
- (viii) provides a resource for people and organisations in the Oxford Street neighbourhood about the significance of Oxford Street for the LGBTIQ+ communities and its future; and
- (ix) report back to Councillors via the CEO Update.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE

Lord Mayor

Note – at the meeting of Council, the content of the original Minute was varied by the Lord Mayor. Subsequently, it was –

Moved by the Lord Mayor, seconded by Councillor Scully –

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) Oxford Street and its surrounding neighbourhoods have long been recognised as significant to LGBTIQ+ communities in Australia and internationally;
- (ii) the community has expressed strong support for retaining Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ character;
- (iii) WorldPride 2023 will bring increased national and international focus on Oxford Street; and
- (iv) preparations for and celebration of WorldPride 2023 presents new opportunities for protecting, preserving and strengthening Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ character; and

(B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate developing an LGBTIQ+ Cultural and Social Place Strategy for Oxford Street, similar to those developed in other cities, in consultation with WorldPride 2023, Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras, Pride History Group, QTopia, BuildingPride and other LGBTIQ+ community organisations which:

- (i) recognises the significance of Oxford Street for the LGBTIQ+ communities;
- (ii) identifies important LGBTIQ+ places in the Oxford Street neighbourhood;
- (iii) aims to strengthen Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ cultural identity and importance;
- (iv) builds on the extensive work already undertaken by the City of Sydney in support of the LGBTIQ community and the Oxford Street neighbourhood;
- (v) draws on the existing extensive body of research relating to the Sydney LGBTIQ community, Oxford Street and LGBTIQ places and neighbourhoods and other LGBTIQ+ communities, cultures, places and histories;
- (vi) considers examples of work undertaken by other cities to support their LGBTIQ+ communities and places;

- (vii) sets out opportunities for the City of Sydney, community organisations and the private sector to support and promote the Oxford Street's LGBTIQ+ cultural identity and importance;
- (viii) provides a resource for people and organisations in the Oxford Street neighbourhood about the significance of Oxford Street for the LGBTIQ+ communities and its future; and
- (ix) report back to Councillors via the CEO Update.

Carried unanimously.

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Item 4 Memoranda by the Chief Executive Officer

There were no Memoranda by the Chief Executive Officer for this meeting of Council.

Item 5 Matters for Tabling

5.1 Disclosures of Interest

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

It is resolved that Council note that Disclosures of Interest returns will be received following the resumption of in-person meetings.

Carried unanimously.

5.2 Petitions

Build a Bridge Petition

The following Petition, of which notice was given by Councillor Scott, was tabled.

What a difference a bridge would make

The number of people living and working in and around the rail corridor from Redfern to Erskineville is growing rapidly.

Along with that goes more walking and cycling - healthy modes of transport we all want to encourage.

One problem though is the great length of the corridor, requiring very long journeys around the perimeter.

For a long time a bridge has been proposed in planning for North Eveleigh to remedy this, and we believe that with Transport for NSW reviewing plans for this site the time has come to build it.

We need an active transport corridor to connect Waterloo Metro, Alexandria and South Eveleigh on one side, to Carriageworks, North Eveleigh, Darlington and Sydney University on the other.

We therefore call upon the Minister for Transport to approve the construction of this bridge as a matter of priority.

This campaign is a joint campaign of three groups: REDWatch, Alexandria Residents Action Group and Friends of Erskineville.

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Forster –

It is resolved that the Petition be received and noted.

Carried unanimously.

S044250

Item 6 Report of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee

PRESENT

The Lord Mayor Councillor Clover Moore

(Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Jess Scully

(Deputy Chair)

Councillors Craig Chung, Christine Forster, Robert Kok, Jess Miller, Prof Kerryn Phelps AM, Linda Scott, Prof Philip Thalys and Angela Vithoukias.

At the commencement of business at 2.04pm those present were -

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Chung, Forster, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scott, Scully, Thalys and Vithoukias.

Councillor Forster left the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee at 2.59pm, prior to vote on Item 6.4, and returned at 3.00pm, after the vote on Item 6.4.

Councillor Vithoukias left the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee (Economic Development and Business Sub-Committee) at 3.24pm, prior to the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.10, and returned at 3.25pm, after the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.10. Councillor Vithoukias was not present at the meeting, which was held remotely, during voting on clause (B) of Item 6.10.

Councillor Phelps left the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee (Economic Development and Business Sub-Committee) at 3.30pm, prior to the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.11, and returned at 3.31pm, after the vote on clause (B) of Item 6.11. Councillor Phelps was not present at the meeting, which was held remotely, during voting on clause (B) of Item 6.11.

Sub-Committees

The Economic Development and Business Sub-Committee, with Councillor Kok as Deputy Chair, commenced at 3.09pm.

The meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee and its Sub-Committee concluded at 3.31pm.

Report of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee

Moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Miller –

That the report of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee of its meeting of 18 October 2021 be received, with Item 6.1 being noted, the recommendations set out below for Items 6.2, 6.3 and 6.5 to 6.9 inclusive being adopted in globo, and Item 6.4 being dealt with as shown immediately following that item.

Carried unanimously.

Item 6.1

Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Linda Scott made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.10 on the agenda, in that Clara Klemski, a board member of Brand X, an organisation recommended to receive grant funding, made a donation of \$25 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2018. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that the owner of Parliament on King, a business not recommended to receive a grant in Item 6.11, is known to her family. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that she sits on the advisory board of the Centre for Workforce Futures at Macquarie University. An unrelated part of the university is recommended to receive grant funding for a project unrelated to the Centre for Workforce Futures in Item 6.11. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with any individual regarding this item and was unaware of the grant application and recommendation until the Committee papers were published.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that a number of staff from the University of Technology Sydney have made donations to the City of Sydney Labour team both in 2021 and in the past. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with any individual regarding this item.

Councillor Angela Vithoukas disclosed a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.10 on the agenda, in that she has had a friendship with some of the board of Monkey Baa Theatre, although she is not sure if they are still part of the organisation. Councillor Vithoukas has not had any contact with them about this grant at all, and the first time she was aware of their participation in the grant round was when she read the Committee papers this week.

Councillor Vithoukas stated that she would not be present at, or in sight of, the meeting at any time this matter is being considered, discussed or voted on by the Council or Committee.

Councillor Jess Scully disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11 on the agenda, in that Mundane Matters Pty Ltd is recommended for a Knowledge Exchange Sponsorship. They are a local business specialising in the circular economy. I recently provided a testimonial for this business in support of their processes and product, not related to their project under consideration.

Councillor Scully considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published, and have had no communication with them about their grant application.

At a later stage of the meeting, during discussion on Item 6.11 on the agenda, Councillor Phelps disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.11, in that she is a patron of the ACON Pride in Health + Wellbeing program. ACON is recommended for a grant.

Councillor Phelps stated that she had not been approached or had any discussion with any person about this grant, but for an abundance of caution, she would be absent for the decision on that grant in this item.

No other Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matters on the agenda for this meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee.

The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommended the following:

Item 6.2

Presentation of the 2020/21 Financial Statements and Audit Reports to Council

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) receive the Financial Statements for City of Sydney for the year ended 30 June 2021, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) authorise the Lord Mayor, Councillor Jess Scully (member – Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee), Chief Executive Officer, and the Chief Financial Officer to sign the General Purpose Financial Statements;
- (C) authorise the Lord Mayor, Councillor Jess Scully (member – Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee), Chief Executive Officer, and the Chief Financial Officer to sign the Special Purpose Financial Statements;
- (D) receive the auditor's reports on the 2020/21 Annual Financial Statements; and
- (E) authorise that notice be given, through Sydney Your Say, of public presentation of the audited 2020/21 Financial Statements for the City of Sydney at the Council meeting on 15 November 2021.

Carried unanimously.

X025180

Speakers

Margaret Crawford (NSW Auditor General) and Caroline Karakatsanis (Director Financial Audit – Audit Office of NSW) addressed the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee on Item 6.2.

Item 6.3

Audit Risk and Compliance Committee Annual Report to Council 2020/21

It is resolved that Council note the Audit Risk and Compliance Committee's 2020/21 Annual Report, as shown as Attachment A to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

S083523

Speakers

Elizabeth Crouch (Past Chair – Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee) and Carolyn Walsh (Chair – Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee) addressed the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee on Item 6.3.

Item 6.4

Review of the Investment Policy and Strategy

Moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Kok –

It is resolved that Council adopt the revised Investment Policy and Investment Strategy for the management and investment of Council's funds, as shown in Attachments A and B to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

X020701

Item 6.5

Investments Held as at 30 September 2021

It is resolved that the Investment Report as at 30 September 2021 be received and noted.

Carried unanimously.

X020701

Item 6.6

Tender - T-2021-511 - Green Square to Ashmore Connector Road

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council accept the tender offer of Tenderer E for the construction of Green Square to Ashmore Connector Road and Associated Works for the price and contingency outlined in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the contracts relating to the tender; and
- (C) Council approve the additional funds as detailed in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

X010053.012

Item 6.7**Exemption from Tender and Contract Variations - Contracts Impacted by the Postponement of the 2021 Local Government Election**

Note – the recommendation of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee was not adopted. The following alternative recommendation was adopted as part of an in globo motion (as contained in the memo dated 15 October 2021 from the Director Legal and Governance, circulated prior to the meeting).

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve an exemption from tender in accordance with section 55 (3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 to extend the term of the existing contracts for:
- (i) Street Signs, Pavement Marking and Tactile Ground Surface Indicator Services with Streets Ahead Maintenance Pty Ltd;
 - (ii) Public Art Collection Basic Maintenance Services with Urban Maintenance Systems Pty Ltd;
 - (iii) Security Patrols and Alarm Response Services with Southern Cross Protection Pty Ltd; and
 - (iv) Internal Audit Services with RSM Australia Pty Limited and O'Connor Marsden & Associates Pty Limited;
- by reason of extenuating circumstances noting that a satisfactory result for the City would not be achieved by inviting tenders at this time;
- (B) Council note the reason that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders at this time are that because of the new date for the 2021 Local Government Elections and corresponding later date of the caretaker period, the City will not have adequate time in which to complete the appropriate tender processes which consequently will not result in in value for money;
- (C) Council approve variations to the contracts for:
- (i) Street Signs, Pavement Marking and Tactile Ground Surface Indicator Services with Streets Ahead Maintenance Pty Ltd;
 - (ii) Public Art Collection Basic Maintenance Services with Urban Maintenance Systems Pty Ltd;
 - (iii) Security Patrols and Alarm Response Services with Southern Cross Protection Pty Ltd; and
 - (iv) Internal Audit Services with RSM Australia Pty Limited and O'Connor Marsden & Associates Pty Limited;
- to extend the terms of the contracts to 30 June 2022; and
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, administer and enter into any necessary documentation to give effect to the clauses above.

Carried unanimously.

X026413

Item 6.8

Lease Approval (Confidential)

It is resolved that Council approve the recommendation contained within Confidential Attachment A to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

S096173

Item 6.9

Property Matter (Confidential)

It is resolved that Council approve the recommendation contained within confidential Attachment A to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

X025359

Report of the Economic Development and Business Sub-Committee

Moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Scully -

That the report of the Economic Development and Business Sub-Committee of its meeting of 18 October 2021 be received, with the recommendations set out below for Items 6.10 and 6.11 being dealt with as shown immediately following those items.

Carried unanimously.

The Economic Development and Business Sub-Committee recommended the following:-

Item 6.10

Grants and Sponsorship - Round Two 2021/22 - Economic Grants

At the meeting of Council, this recommendation was moved and voted on in seriatum, as follows –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Business Support - Live Music and Performance Grant Program as per Attachment A to the subject report, except for the grant to Monkey Baa Theatre for Young People Limited;
- (B) Council approve the cash recommendation for the Business Support – Live Music and Performance Grant to Monkey Baa Theatre for Young People Limited as per Attachment A to the subject report;
- (C) Council note the applicants who were not successful in obtaining a cash grant for the Business Support - Live Music and Performance Grant Program as per Attachment B to the subject report;
- (D) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Business Support - Night Time Diversification Grant Program as per Attachment C to the subject report;
- (E) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Business Support - Night Time Diversification Grant Program as per Attachment D to the subject report;
- (F) Council note the applicants who were not successful in obtaining a cash grant for the Business Support - Night Time Diversification Grant Program as per Attachment E to the subject report;
- (G) Council note that all grants amounts are exclusive of GST;
- (H) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy; and
- (I) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the identity of the recipient will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

All clauses, excluding clause (B) were moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Scully, and carried unanimously.

Clause (B) was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Scully, and carried unanimously.

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Item 6.11

Grants and Sponsorship - Round Two 2021/22 - Knowledge Exchange Sponsorship Program

At the meeting of Council, this recommendation was moved and voted on in seriatum, as follows –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and revenue/value-in-kind recommendations for the Knowledge Exchange Sponsorship Program as per Attachment A to the subject report, except for the grant to Akon Health Limited;
- (B) Council approve the cash and revenue/value-in-kind recommendations for the Knowledge Exchange Sponsorship Program to Akon Health Limited as per Attachment A to the subject report;
- (C) Council note the applicants who were not successful in obtaining a cash grant for the Knowledge Exchange Sponsorship Program as per Attachment B to the subject report;
- (D) Council note that all grants amounts are exclusive of GST and all value-in-kind offered is subject to availability;
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy; and
- (F) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the identity of the recipient will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

All clauses, excluding clause (B) were moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Scully, and carried unanimously.

Clause (B) was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Scully, and carried unanimously.

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Item 7 Report of the Environment Committee

PRESENT

The Lord Mayor Councillor Clover Moore

(Chair)

Councillor Jess Miller

(Deputy Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Jess Scully, Councillors Craig Chung, Christine Forster, Robert Kok, Prof Kerry Phelps AM, Linda Scott, Prof Philip Thalys and Angela Vithoukias.

At the commencement of business at 3.31pm those present were -

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Chung, Forster, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scott, Scully, Thalys and Vithoukias.

Councillor Scott left the meeting of the Environment Committee at 3.36pm, prior to the vote on Item 7.2, and returned at 3.39pm, after the vote on Item 7.2. Councillor Scott was not present at the meeting, which was held remotely, during voting on Item 7.2.

Councillor Scott left the meeting of the Environment Committee at 4.22pm, prior to the vote on Item 7.5, and returned at 4.44pm, after the vote on Item 7.5. Councillor Scott was not present at the meeting, which was held remotely, during voting on Item 7.5.

Councillor Vithoukias left the meeting of the Environment Committee at 4.42pm, prior to the vote on Item 7.5, and returned at 4.48pm, after the vote on Item 7.5.

Adjournment

At 3.59pm, it was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) seconded by Councillor Miller –

That the meeting of the Environment Committee be adjourned for approximately 15 minutes.

Carried unanimously.

At the resumption of the meeting of the Environment Committee at 4.17pm, all Councillors were present.

The meeting of the Environment Committee concluded at 5.00pm.

Report of the Environment Committee

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

That the report of the Environment Committee of its meeting of 18 October 2021 be received, with Item 7.1 being noted, the recommendations set out below for Items 7.3, 7.4, 7.6 and 7.7 being adopted in globo, and Item 7.5 being dealt with as shown immediately following that item.

Carried unanimously.

Item 7.1

Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Philip Thalys disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that the University of NSW (UNSW) is a recommended recipient of a grant, at which he is a Fractional Professor.

Councillor Thalys considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee report became available and he has not discussed this grant with the recipient.

Councillor Linda Scott made the following disclosures:

- a pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that she owns a house in trust for a disabled family member at 70 MacDonald Street Erskineville, a property that is recommended to receive grant funding. Councillor Scott stated that she would not be present for discussion or voting on this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Linda Leman, a resident of 27 Moorgate Street Chippendale, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$380 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2018. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Brad Deeth, a resident of 36-42 Refinery Drive Pyrmont, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$100 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2016. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances, because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Donald Denoon, a resident of 36-42 Refinery Drive Pyrmont, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$200 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2021. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances, because she has not had contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.2 on the agenda, in that Christina Juchniewicz, a resident of 36-42 Refinery Drive Pyrmont, a property recommended to receive a grant, donated \$120 to the City of Sydney Labor team in 2021. Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not had any contact with this individual regarding this item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.5 on the agenda, in that, more than four years ago, Jonathan Yee, a former City of Sydney Labor team member, and the General Manager of Emperor's Garden, a restaurant in Chinatown, made a donation of \$2,000 to the City of Sydney's Labor team in 2016. Councillor Scott stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant, but in an abundance of caution, she would not be present for voting and discussion on this matter.

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

The Environment Committee recommended the following:

Item 7.2

Grants and Sponsorship - Round Two 2021/22 - Environmental Grants

Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Thalís –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Environmental Performance - Innovation Grant Program as per Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note the applications not recommended for a cash grant for the Environmental Performance - Innovation Grant Program as per Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Environmental Performance - Ratings and Assessment Grant Program as per Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) Council note the applications not recommended for a cash grant for the Environmental Performance - Ratings and Assessment Grant Program as per Attachment D to the subject report;
- (E) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST;
- (F) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy; and
- (G) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the identity of the recipient will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

Carried unanimously.

S117676

Item 7.3

Project Scope - The Crescent Synthetic Sports Field

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) endorse the scope of work for The Crescent Synthetic Sports Field Project, Annandale, as described in the subject report and shown in the Final Concept Plan at Attachment B to the subject report, for progression to relevant approvals, preparation of documentation, tender and construction;
- (B) note the estimated project forecast as outlined in Confidential Attachment E to the subject report; and
- (C) approve the increase in the overall project budget as outlined in Confidential Attachment E to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

X038988.002

Speakers

Les Wark (Glebe Hockey Club) and Chris Newtown addressed the meeting of the Environment Committee on Item 7.3.

Item 7.4

Project Scope - North Rosebery Park and Green Link (Licorice Allsorts Park and Honeykiss Park)

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) endorse the scope of work for upgrades to the Park and Green Link at North Rosebery (Licorice Allsorts Park and Honeykiss Park), as described in the subject report and shown in the Developed Concept Plan at Attachment B to the subject report, for progression to relevant approvals, preparation of construction documentation, tendering and construction; and
- (B) note the estimated project forecast as outlined in Confidential Attachment D to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

X022419.003

Item 7.5**Chinatown Public Domain Program Update and Future Project Priorities**

Note – the recommendation of the Environment Committee was not adopted. The following motion was adopted.

Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Scully –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the update on completed and current works underway in the Chinatown area;
- (B) Council endorse the capital works priorities list and project proposals for exploration as shown in the subject report to inform the City's Long Term Financial Plan and capital works planning;
- (C) Council note the consultation that has informed the scope, delivery and priority given to these projects since the original 2010 Chinatown Public Domain Plan and its subsequent review in 2015; and
- (D) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to continue to collaborate and consult with key stakeholders including the local community to develop future projects identified under the Chinatown Public Domain Plan and update Councillors on progress via the CEO Update.

Amendment. Moved by Councillor Chung, seconded by Councillor Forster –

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) note the update on completed and current works underway in the Chinatown area;
- (B) note that six out of ten of the 2015 Chinatown priority projects have yet to be completed or commenced;
- (C) note that the pedestrianisation of George Street (No. 1.0 of the proposed Public Domain Priority Projects) is not a Chinatown project, was never consulted specifically with the Chinatown community, and did not come from any priority planning for the Chinatown community;
- (D) note that linking Quay Street and reinforcing it as a connection from Central Station to Darling Harbour (No. 3.0 of the proposed Public Domain Priority Projects) does nothing for the Chinatown community and is in fact designed by its description to by-pass Chinatown;
- (E) endorse the capital works priorities list and project proposals for consultation as shown in the subject report to inform the City's Long Term Financial Plan and capital works planning;
- (F) undertake consultation with all relevant stakeholders to allow opportunity for feedback on the project proposals; and
- (G) commit to supporting small businesses on Dixon Street by excluding food and beverage market stalls when the draft Markets Policy is presented to Council.

Adjournment

At this stage of the meeting, at 6.35pm, it was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Scully –

That the meeting be adjourned for approximately 15 minutes.

The motion was carried on the following show of hands –

Ayes (7) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chung, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scully and Thalís

Noes (2) Councillors Forster and Vithoukás.

Motion carried.

At the resumption of the meeting of Council at 6.56pm, the Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chung, Forster, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scully, Thalís and Vithoukás were present.

The amendment was lost on the following show of hands –

Ayes (4) Councillors Chung, Forster, Phelps and Vithoukás

Noes (5) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Kok, Miller, Scully and Thalís.

Amendment lost.

The substantive motion was carried unanimously.

X004285

Extensions of Time

During discussion of Item 7.5, pursuant to the provisions of clause 8.35 of the Code of Meeting Practice, it was –

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

That Councillor Chung be granted an extension of time of two minutes to speak on the amendment.

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Phelps, seconded by Councillor Forster –

That Councillor Chung be granted an extension of time of two minutes to speak on the substantive motion.

Carried unanimously.

Calls to Order

During discussion of Item 7.5 –

The Chair (the Lord Mayor), called Councillor Chung to order in accordance with clauses 5.15 and 5.16 of the Code of Meeting Practice.

The Chair (the Lord Mayor), called Councillor Thalís to order in accordance with clauses 5.15 and 5.16 of the Code of Meeting Practice.

Points of Order

During discussion of Item 7.5 –

Councillor Scully raised a point of order, stating that all Councillors must address their comments through the Chair.

The Chair (the Lord Mayor) upheld the point of order.

Councillor Chung raised a point of order, stating that Councillors speaking to misrepresentation can only address the specific comments raised.

The Chair (the Lord Mayor) did not uphold the point of order.

Councillor Chung raised a further point of order, and Councillor Scully withdrew her comment.

Councillor Scully raised a further point of order, stating that Councillors must show respect for the Chair.

The Chair (the Lord Mayor) upheld the point of order.

Misrepresentation

During discussion of Item 7.5 –

Councillor Thalys stated that he had been misrepresented in respect to comments made by Councillor Chung and clarified his position accordingly.

Councillor Chung stated that he had been misrepresented in respect to comments made by Councillors Scully and Kok and clarified his position accordingly.

Item 7.6

City South Public Domain Plan

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council adopt the City South Public Domain Plan as shown at Attachment C to the subject report;
- (B) Council note that the City South Public Domain Plan forms the basis to undertake stakeholder engagement and development of a broader public domain framework that includes Tech Central;
- (C) Council note that further stakeholder engagement and feasibility assessments will be required to develop a more refined scope to finalise individual project scopes and guide the City's long term planning and capital works programming; and
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments to the Public Domain Plan arising from stakeholder consultation and feasibility assessments.

Carried unanimously.

X031129

Item 7.7

Town Hall Public Domain Plan

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council adopt the Town Hall Public Domain Plan as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) Council note that the recommended project priorities require further advocacy, consultation, feasibility assessment and design development in collaboration with Transport NSW to inform future capital works budgets to be adopted by Council; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments to the Public Domain Plan arising from stakeholder consultation and feasibility assessments.

Carried unanimously.

X018638

Item 8 Report of the Cultural and Community Committee**PRESENT**

The Lord Mayor Councillor Clover Moore
(Chair)

Councillor Robert Kok / Councillor Linda Scott
(Deputy Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Jess Scully, Councillors Craig Chung, Christine Forster, Jess Miller, Prof Kerryn Phelps AM, Prof Philip Thalys and Angela Vithoukaskas.

At the commencement of business at 4.59pm those present were -

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Chung, Forster, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scott, Scully, Thalys and Vithoukaskas.

Councillor Phelps left the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee (Healthy Communities Sub-Committee) at 5.41pm during discussion and before the vote on Item 8.4.

Councillor Phelps returned to the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee (Healthy Communities Sub-Committee) at 5.42pm during discussion and before the vote on Item 8.5.

Sub-Committees

Meetings of the following Sub-Committees of the Cultural and Community Committee commenced at the times shown below.

The Cultural and Creative Sub-Committee, with Councillor Kok as Deputy Chair, commenced at 5.00pm.

The Healthy Communities Sub-Committee, with Councillor Scott as Deputy Chair, commenced at 5.32pm.

The meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee and its Sub-Committees concluded at 5.47pm.

Report of the Cultural and Creative Sub-Committee

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

That the report of the Cultural and Creative Sub-Committee of its meeting of 11 October 2021 be received, with Item 8.1 being noted, and the recommendation set out below for Item 8.2 being dealt with as shown immediately following that item.

Carried unanimously.

Item 8.1

Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Linda Scott disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.5 on the agenda, in that in researching a motion on long-term funding for social services, Glebe Youth Service, an organisation recommended to receive a grant, was consulted and discussions of grants arose.

Councillor Scott stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not discussed this grant application with the organisation.

Councillor Jess Miller disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election.

Councillor Miller stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.

Councillor Jess Scully made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Councillor Scully stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.
- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.4 on the agenda, in that she helped initiate this project with Women's Community Shelters, City West Housing and the Student Accommodation Association, as per her Notice of Motion on 26 July 2021. Councillor Scully stated that she considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not discussed this item with the Women's Community Shelters since she became aware they would be submitting a proposal to the City for consideration of project funding.

Councillor Robert Kok disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Councillor Kok stated that he was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and he has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.

The Lord Mayor (Councillor Clover Moore) disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock of the Sydney Fringe Festival made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. The Lord Mayor stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee papers were published and she has not had any contact with the Sydney Fringe about their grant application.

Councillor Philip Thalys disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Kerri Glasscock, who is associated with Sydney Fringe Festival, made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Sydney Fringe Festival is a recommended grant recipient. Councillor Thalys stated that he considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he was not aware of this recommendation until the Committee report became available and has not discussed this grant with the recipient.

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

The Cultural and Creative Sub-Committee recommended the following:

Item 8.2

Grants and Sponsorship - Round Two 2021/22 - Cultural Grants

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

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and revenue foregone/value-in-kind recommendations for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship (Artform) Program as per Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship (Artform) Program as per Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council note the applicants who were not successful in obtaining a cash grant for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship (Artform) Program as per Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST and all value-in-kind offered is subject to availability;
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy;
- (F) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the identity of the recipient will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

Carried unanimously.

S117676

Speaker

Kerri Glasscock (Sydney Fringe) addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee on Item 8.2.

Report of the Healthy Communities Sub-Committee

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Scully -

That the report of the Healthy Communities Sub-Committee of its meeting of 11 October 2021 be received, with the recommendations set out below for Items 8.3 to 8.5 being dealt with as shown immediately following those items.

Carried unanimously.

The Healthy Communities Sub-Committee recommended the following:

Item 8.3

Grants and Sponsorship - Affordable and Diverse Housing Fund - St George Community Housing - Improving Access to Affordable Housing Opportunities

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Scully -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve a \$195,000 (excluding GST) cash grant over two years to St George Community Housing Limited:
 - (i) year one totalling \$96,345 (excluding GST); and
 - (ii) year two totalling \$98,655 (excluding GST);subject to the applicant providing letters of support from partnering Community Housing Providers;
- (B) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the agreement with St George Community Housing Limited under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy.

Carried unanimously.

X009742

Item 8.4**Grants and Sponsorship - Community Services Grant - Women's Community Shelters Limited**

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Scully –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve a grant of up to \$118,540 cash (excluding GST) to Women's Community Shelters Limited for the Abercrombie House project, subject to the applicant providing a suitable Plan of Management demonstrating the project can be implemented as proposed; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer a sponsorship agreement with Women's Community Shelters Limited in relation to the sponsorship described in (A) above.

Carried unanimously.

X084196

Speaker

Maddy Neely (Women's Community Shelters) addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee on Item 8.4.

Item 8.5**Grants and Sponsorship - Round Two 2021/22 - Social Grants**

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and revenue foregone/value-in-kind recommendations for the Festival and Events (Village and Community) Sponsorship Program as per Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship (Village and Community) Program as per Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council note the applicants who were not successful in obtaining a cash grant or revenue foregone/value-in-kind for the Festival and Events (Village and Community) Sponsorship Program as per Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) Council approve the cash and revenue foregone/value-in-kind recommendations for the Matching Grant Program as per Attachment D to the subject report;
- (E) Council note the applicants who were not successful in obtaining a cash grant or revenue foregone/value-in-kind for the Matching Grant Program as per Attachment E to the subject report;

- (F) Council approve a grant of \$142,343 cash and venue hire fee waiver to the value of \$724 for year 1, \$287,546 cash and venue hire fee waiver to the value of \$2,257 for year 2 and \$294,082 cash and venue hire fee waiver to the value of \$3,127 for year 3 to Glebe Youth Service Inc for the 2021 After Dark Program;
- (G) Council note that all grants amounts are exclusive of GST;
- (H) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy; and
- (I) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the identity of the recipient will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

Carried unanimously.

S117676

Speaker

Keiran Kevans (Glebe Youth Services) addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee on Item 8.5.

Item 9 Report of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee**PRESENT**

The Lord Mayor Councillor Clover Moore
(Chair)

Councillor Prof Philip Thalís
(Deputy Chair)

Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Jess Scully, Councillors Craig Chung, Robert Kok, Jess Miller, Prof Kerryn Phelps AM, Linda Scott, and Angela Vithoukás.

At the commencement of business at 6.11pm those present were –

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Chung, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scott, Scully, Thalís and Vithoukás.

Councillor Phelps left the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee at 6.20pm during discussion and before the vote on Item 9.2, and did not return.

Councillor Miller left the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee at 7.00pm, during discussion and before the vote on Item 9.4.

Councillor Miller returned to the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee at 7.05pm, during discussion and before the vote on Item 9.5.

Apologies

Councillor Forster extended her apologies for her inability to attend the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee.

The meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee concluded at 7.08pm.

Report of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee

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

That the report of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee of its meeting of 11 October 2021 be received, with Item 9.1 being noted, the recommendations set out below for Items 9.3 to 9.6 inclusive being adopted in globo, and Item 9.2 being dealt with as shown immediately following that item.

Carried unanimously.

Item 9.1

Disclosures of Interest

No Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee.

Local Government and Planning Legislation Amendment (Political Donations) Act 2008

No disclosures were made by any members of the public at this meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee.

Item 9.2

Post Exhibition - Planning Proposal - 30-62 Barcom Avenue, Darlinghurst - Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2012 and Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 Amendment

Note - The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 18 October 2021.

At the meeting of Council, the following alternative recommendation was adopted (as contained in the memo dated 18 October 2021 from the Director City Planning, Development and Transport, circulated prior to the meeting):

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

It is resolved that this matter be deferred to the next meeting of Council to enable further consideration by the Central Sydney Planning Committee.

Carried unanimously.

X018299

Speakers

Robert Mactier, Alasdair Johnston, Vicki Sharpe, Terry Forster and Ian Riley (Audant – on behalf of the applicant) addressed the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee on Item 9.2.

The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommended the following:

Item 9.3

Public Exhibition - Planning Proposal – Green Square Town Centre: 377-495 Botany Road and 960A Bourke Street, Zetland - Sydney Local Environmental Plan (Green Square Town Centre) 2013 and Green Square Town Centre Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 Amendment

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve Planning Proposal - Green Square Town Centre: 377 - 495 Botany Road and 960A Bourke Street, Zetland, shown at Attachment A to the subject report, for submission to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment with a request for a Gateway Determination;
- (B) Council approve Planning Proposal - Green Square Town Centre: 377 - 495 Botany Road and 960A Bourke Street, Zetland, shown at Attachment A to the subject report for public authority consultation and public exhibition in accordance with any conditions imposed under the Gateway Determination;
- (C) Council seek authority from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to exercise the delegation of all functions under the relevant local plan making authority under Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make the local environmental plan and put into effect the Planning Proposal - Green Square Town Centre: 377 - 495 Botany Road and 960A Bourke Street, Zetland;
- (D) Council approve draft Development Control Plan - Green Square Town Centre: 377 - 495 Botany Road and 960A Bourke Street, Zetland, shown at Attachment B to the subject report, for public authority consultation and public exhibition together with the planning proposal; and
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make any minor variations to Planning Proposal - Green Square Town Centre: 377 - 495 Botany Road and 960A Bourke Street, Zetland and draft Development Control Plan - Green Square Town Centre: 377 - 495 Botany Road and 960A Bourke Street, Zetland, to correct any drafting errors or to ensure consistency with the Gateway Determination.

Carried unanimously

X026151

Speakers

Tom Waters (Mirvac) and Daniel Howard (Ethos Urban) addressed the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee on Item 9.3.

Item 9.4

Traffic Treatment - Proposed Permanent Partial Road Closure - Spring Street, Sydney

It is resolved that Council approve the permanent closure of Spring Street for traffic entering from Pitt Street, as part of the Pitt Street North Walking and Cycling Improvements project.

Carried unanimously.

S122295.005

Item 9.5

Approved Variations to Development Standards Reported to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

It is resolved that the subject report be received and noted.

Carried unanimously.

S040864

Item 9.6

Fire Safety Reports

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) note the contents of the Fire Safety Report Summary Sheet, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) note the inspection reports by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown at Attachments B to F of the subject report;
- (C) not exercise its power to issue a Fire Safety Order under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 at this time but note the compliance action as recommended by the City's Investigation Officer at 118 Flinders Street, Darlinghurst as detailed in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (D) not exercise its power to issue a Fire Safety Order under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 at this time but note the compliance action as recommended by the City's Investigation Officer at 16-28 Foster Street, Surry Hills as detailed in Attachment C to the subject report;
- (E) not exercise its power to issue a Fire Safety Order under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 at this time but note the compliance action as recommended by the City's Investigation Officer at 231 Oxford Street, Darlinghurst as detailed in Attachment D to the subject report;
- (F) not exercise its power to issue a Fire Safety Order under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 at this time but note the compliance action as recommended by the City's Investigation Officer at 83 Harbour Street, Haymarket as detailed in Attachment E to the subject report; and

- (G) not exercise its power to issue a Fire Safety Order under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 at this time but note the compliance action as recommended by the City's Investigation Officer at 11 Smail Street, Ultimo as detailed in Attachment F to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

S105001.002

Item 10 Sydney New Year's Eve 2021 Event Arrangements

Moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Thalís -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve an exemption from tender in accordance with section 55 (3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 to enter into any agreements necessary to ensure the delivery of a New Year's Eve event for 2021;
- (B) Council note that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders at this time for the following reasons:
 - (i) there are uncertainties in delivering the New Year's Eve event in 2021 due to the ongoing Delta variant Covid-19 outbreak that may require procurement of unknown goods and/or services at very short notice; and
 - (ii) there is insufficient time to undertake a full procurement process;
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer any additional contracts required to deliver New Year's Eve 2021;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to approve variations of existing contracts relating to the delivery of the New Year's Eve 2021 event to add scope where necessary to ensure the safe delivery of the event in 2021 with Council to be advised by way of CEO Update of any contracts varied as a result of this delegation;
- (E) if the New Year's Eve 2021 event, or part of it, is transferred to the NSW Government to deliver, Council note that the Chief Executive Officer may exercise discretion to waive fees payable by the NSW Government associated with the delivery of the event under the Covid-19 fee waiver category; and
- (F) Council note that the resolutions above are required to implement the 5 October 2021 Extraordinary Council meeting resolution in relation to the delivery of a New Year's Eve event for 2021.

Carried unanimously.

X083142

Adjournment

At this stage of the meeting, at 8.19pm, it was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Miller –

That the meeting be adjourned for approximately 15 minutes.

Carried unanimously.

All Councillors were present at the resumption of Council at 8.38pm.

Item 11 Property Matter (Confidential)

Moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Miller -

It is resolved that Council approve the recommendation contained within Confidential Attachment A to the subject report.

Carried unanimously.

X083718

Item 12 Questions on Notice

1. Funding for Oxford Street Cycleway

By Councillor Scott

Question

1. From what sources did the City receive funding for the Oxford Street cycleway?
2. What conditions were placed on the receipt of any funding received by the City for the Oxford Street cycleway?
3. When did the City need to expend any funding received for the Oxford Street cycleway?
4. When does the City anticipate the Oxford Street cycleway will be completed?

S129275

Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. Transport for NSW had offered to providing funding of \$4.2 million under the NSW Government Roadside Public Spaces Program towards the three cycleway projects for Oxford Street (west of Taylor Square), Liverpool Street (east of Castlereagh Street) and College Street. It was finally agreed that to access the maximum NSW Government contribution within its time constraints, that \$4 million goes towards the College Street design and construction and \$200,000 has gone towards the design of Oxford Street. The City is funding the balance. The City also notes that Transport for NSW will be fully funding and delivering Oxford Street cycleway east of Taylor Square.
2. Expenditure of contributions within the 2020/21 and 2021/22 financial years as outlined in the response to 3 below.
3. Initial design work by June 2021 (complete) and College Street construction by June 2022.
4. College Street will be delivered by mid-2022. Oxford Street (west of Taylor Square) and Liverpool Street (east of Castlereagh Street) will be completed in early 2024.

2. Pandemic Leave and Stand Downs for City Staff

By Councillor Scott

Question

1. Broken down by year, how many City staff have been stood down under the Splinter Award, and for how long?
2. Broken down by month, how many City staff have had their hours reduced since lockdown began in June 2021?

S129275

Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. No City of Sydney employee was stood down under the Splinter Award in 2020. In July 2021, as a result of public health restrictions, 292 employees were stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award. Most of these employees have now returned to their usual work or are undertaking suitable alternative work. As at 13 October 2021, one employee remains stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award with a planned return to work on 18 October 2021.
2. No employees had their hours reduced in June 2021. In July 2021, one part time employee had their hours reduced, with the hours not worked being paid as Covid-19 Special Paid Leave as per the 2021 Splinter Award. This employee remained on this arrangement during August and September 2021 and returned to their normal working hours on 11 October 2021.

In August 2021, 70 employees in Infrastructure Maintenance worked on a roster basis which included a portion of their ordinary pay being paid as Covid-19 Special Paid Leave as per the 2021 Splinter Award. This arrangement remains in place. On 11 October 2021, the Rangers also commenced working a revised roster which included a portion of their ordinary pay being paid as Covid-19 Special Paid Leave as per the 2021 Splinter Award.

3. Rubbish Collection

By Councillor Scott

Question

1. How many reports of missed rubbish collections has the City received since 2016 broken down by:
 - (a) year; and
 - (b) suburb.
2. How many reports of missed rubbish collections has the City received in 2021 broken down by month?
3. How many reports of illegal dumping has the City received since 2016 broken down by:
 - (a) year; and
 - (b) suburb.
4. How many reports to collect illegal dumping has the City received 2021 broken down by month?
5. How many collections of illegally dumped waste have been made in 2021 broken down by month?

S129275

Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. Since 2016, the City of Sydney has provided 34,749,224 waste services. The missed collections during this time represent 0.26% of the total services provided.

SUBURB	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021*
ALEXANDRIA	588	598	704	926	1,020	779
ANNANDALE	1	14	3	6		
BARANGAROO		4	6			
BEACONSFIELD	52	66	100	162	291	173
CAMPERDOWN	507	331	300	337	260	243
CENTENNIAL PARK	91	86	105	252	119	156
CHIPPENDALE	411	631	438	459	398	293
DARLINGHURST	872	1,288	1,801	1,543	1,157	979
DARLINGTON	185	182	196	318	462	277
DAWES POINT	50	34	40	58	51	48
ELIZABETH BAY	166	163	218	253	239	213
ERSKINEVILLE	349	437	670	1,049	987	1,145
EVELEIGH	30	21	17	49	12	24
FOREST LODGE	367	422	512	626	451	356
GLEBE	1,272	1,534	1,878	2,096	1,575	1,324
HAYMARKET	139	138	191	265	145	146
MILLERS POINT	121	83	107	156	181	192
MOORE PARK	1	1	5	4		
NEWTOWN	451	587	718	1,492	1,324	831
PADDINGTON	214	269	312	574	446	373
POTTS POINT	345	309	464	545	414	352
PYRMONT	582	784	594	975	542	407
REDFERN	752	864	979	2,482	1,446	1,038
ROSEBERY	202	224	413	653	829	579
RUSHCUTTERS BAY	79	75	144	188	121	127
ST PETERS	1					
SURRY HILLS	947	1,272	1,827	2,672	1,656	1,592
SYDNEY	419	608	797	972	557	604
THE ROCKS	58	23	34	85	42	55

SUBURB	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021*
ULTIMO	382	505	459	584	389	389
WATERLOO	428	463	725	1,018	1,199	748
WOOLLOOMOOLOO	432	415	482	601	356	251
ZETLAND	147	198	383	449	508	390

*up to 13 October 2021

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2021	Reported Missed Collections*
Jan	1,333
Feb	1,590
Mar	1,384
Apr	1,299
May	1,071
Jun	1,221
Jul	1,196
Aug	1,430
Sep	2,980
Oct	580

*includes General Waste, Recycling, Green Organics and Booked Bulky Collections

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SUBURB	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
ALEXANDRIA	478	514	555	720	1,347	992
ANNANDALE	12	11	14	11	9	11
BARANGAROO	1				1	
BEACONSFIELD	53	57	84	129	258	177
CAMPERDOWN	160	125	181	151	219	234
CENTENNIAL PARK	86	93	107	152	325	251
CHIPPENDALE	482	465	553	714	1,004	651
DARLINGHURST	1,049	1,383	1,772	2,102	2,432	1,704
DARLINGTON	204	221	237	376	651	403
DAWES POINT	12	9	5	11	15	9

SUBURB	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
ELIZABETH BAY	347	357	472	454	526	413
ERSKINEVILLE	318	317	402	541	766	740
EVELEIGH	31	18	24	55	98	98
FOREST LODGE	194	196	217	304	373	299
GLEBE	1,144	1,410	1,484	2,226	2,782	1,897
HAYMARKET	55	90	77	75	57	44
MILLERS POINT	46	24	35	56	93	52
MOORE PARK	1	4	4	5	13	2
NEWTOWN	798	828	986	1,065	1,341	1,301
PADDINGTON	208	244	332	412	516	454
POTTS POINT	480	560	717	751	1,103	777
PYRMONT	319	464	673	684	867	511
REDFERN	984	949	1,107	1,612	2,197	1,865
ROSEBERY	177	146	246	364	614	599
RUSHCUTTERS BAY	112	130	188	189	234	164
ST PETERS	6	5	4	9	16	2
SURRY HILLS	1,523	1,783	2,398	2,910	3,796	2,636
SYDNEY	269	285	320	299	260	214
THE ROCKS	12	7	8	2	8	6
ULTIMO	485	658	506	612	847	548
WATERLOO	451	632	775	1,189	1,542	1,385
WOOLLOOMOOLOO	400	473	552	638	805	604
ZETLAND	154	176	193	317	714	398

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2021	Reported Illegal Dumps
Jan	1,993
Feb	2,482
Mar	2,208
Apr	2,210
May	1,883
Jun	1,984
Jul	1,902
Aug	1,750
Sep	2,282
Oct	747

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2021	Illegal Dumps Collected
Jan	1,756
Feb	2,037
Mar	1,854
Apr	1,836
May	1,519
Jun	1,558
Jul	1,511
Aug	1,590
Sep	1,898
Oct	403

The data above includes the number of illegal dump requests marked as collected by City contractors and illegal dumped waste that is proactively collected by the City's Cleansing Operations team. This does not include illegal dump requests that have been completed but not collected (e.g. instances where the waste is not present for collection).

Item 13 Supplementary Answers to Previous Questions

Supplementary Answers to Questions on Notice are as follows:

Question on Notice – Council 20 September 2021

Item 8.6 Questions on Notice

Pandemic Leave and Stand Downs for City Staff

By Councillor Scott

Question

1. Broken down by year, how many City staff have been stood down under the Splinter Award, and for how long?
2. Broken down by month, how many City staff have had their hours reduced since lockdown began in June 2021?

S129275

Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

No City of Sydney employee was stood down under the Splinter Award in 2020. In July 2021, as a result of public health restrictions, 292 employees were stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award. Most of these employees have now returned to their usual work or are undertaking suitable alternative work. As at 15 September 2021, two employees remain stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award.

No employees had their hours reduced in June 2021. In July 2021, one part time employee had their hours reduced, with the hours not worked being paid as Covid-19 Special Paid Leave as per the 2021 Splinter Award. This employee has remained on this arrangement during August and September 2021. In August 2021, 70 employees in Infrastructure Maintenance worked on a roster basis which included a portion of their ordinary pay being paid as Covid-19 Special Paid Leave as per the 2021 Splinter Award. This arrangement remains in place.

Supplementary Answer

Background

A Question on Notice was asked by Councillor Scott at the 20 September 2021 Council Meeting in relation to Pandemic Leave and Stand Downs for City Staff.

An incorrect figure was provided within the answer to this question on notice. The answer given was "As at 15 September 2021, two employees remain stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award". However, with further checking the correct answer is "As at 15 September 2021, 54 employees remain stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award. 51 of these are Parking Rangers who live in Local Government areas of concern." The corrected answer to the Question on Notice is provided in full below, and will be provided as a Supplementary Answer in the 18 October 2021 Council Business Paper.

Question on Notice by Councillor Scott

1. Broken down by year, how many City staff have been stood down under the Splinter Award, and for how long?
2. Broken down by month, how many City staff have had their hours reduced since lockdown began in June 2021?

Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. No City of Sydney employee was stood down under the Splinter Award in 2020. In July 2021, as a result of public health restrictions, 292 employees were stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award. Most of these employees have now returned to their usual work or are undertaking suitable alternative work. As at 15 September 2021, 54 employees remain stood down with pay under the 2021 Splinter Award. 51 of these are Parking Rangers who live in Local Government areas of concern.
2. No employees had their hours reduced in June 2021. In July 2021, one part time employee had their hours reduced, with the hours not worked being paid as Covid-19 Special Paid Leave as per the 2021 Splinter Award. This employee has remained on this arrangement during August and September 2021. In August 2021, 70 employees in Infrastructure Maintenance worked on a roster basis which included a portion of their ordinary pay being paid as Covid-19 Special Paid Leave as per the 2021 Splinter Award. This arrangement remains in place.

Item 14 Notices of Motion

Item 14.1 Covid-19 Roadmap to Recovery - Nightclub Restrictions

Moved by Councillor Forster, seconded by Councillor Scully -

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) in early September 2021, the NSW Government released details of its roadmap to freedom for fully vaccinated individuals once the state hit a target of 70 per cent double dose vaccinations amongst the eligible population;
- (ii) some of these measures included increased gatherings at home and in public spaces, and the reopening of hospitality venues subject to one person per four square metres inside and one per two square metres outside;
- (iii) in early October 2021, Premier Perrottet released updated details of what life would look like once the state hit a double dose vaccination rate of 70 per cent in early October 2021 then 80 per cent around late October followed by a further easing of restrictions from 1 December 2021, including a one person per two square metre rule and drinking while standing for most hospitality venues;
- (iv) unfortunately, nightclubs will still be the subject of an open-ended one person per four square metre rule once they are allowed to reopen from late October 2021;
- (v) this will preclude the reopening of some venues which were operating safely under the one person per two square metre rule prior to the June 2021 lockdown;
- (vi) nightclubs are an integral part of the City of Sydney's late-night economy and cultural fabric. They are important contributors to the local economy, often run by small business owners, and deserve the same support to reopen in a safe and viable manner as the other hospitality venues in our late-night precincts; and
- (vii) as Sydney emerges from the greatest economic crisis in a century, it is vital that we provide each and every business, large and small, the same opportunity to get back on their feet; and

(B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Premier, the Deputy Premier, the Treasurer and the Minister for Health strongly urging them to reconsider the density ratio for nightclubs post-December and reinstate the two square metre rule which applied to such venues from April to June 2021.

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

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) in early September 2021, the NSW Government released details of its roadmap to freedom for fully vaccinated individuals once the state hit a target of 70 per cent double dose vaccinations amongst the eligible population;
- (ii) some of these measures included increased gatherings at home and in public spaces, and the reopening of hospitality venues subject to one person per four square metres inside and one per two square metres outside;
- (iii) in early October 2021, Premier Perrottet released updated details of what life would look like once the state hit a double dose vaccination rate of 70 per cent in early October 2021 then 80 per cent around late October followed by a further easing of restrictions from 1 December 2021, including a one person per two square metre rule and drinking while standing for most hospitality venues;
- (iv) this roadmap was informed by expert advice provided by NSW Health and is designed to ensure the easing of restrictions is done safely and proportionally, however some in the nightlife sector have noted inconsistencies in the application of restrictions across different sectors;
- (v) under current health advice, nightclubs will still be the subject of an open-ended one person per four square metre rule once they are allowed to reopen from late October 2021;
- (vi) this will preclude the reopening of some venues which were operating safely under the one person per two square metre rule prior to the June 2021 lockdown;
- (vii) nightclubs are an integral part of the City of Sydney's late-night economy and cultural fabric. They are important contributors to the local economy, often run by small business owners, and deserve the same support to reopen in a safe and viable manner as the other hospitality venues in our late-night precincts; and
- (viii) as Sydney emerges from the greatest economic crisis in a century, it is vital that we provide each and every business, large and small, and from every sector in the economy, the same opportunity to get back on their feet;
- (ix) while economic supports such as JobSaver and microbusiness grant payments will cease on 30 November 2021, many nightlife businesses and sole traders will not be able to trade or have a return to viable business operations until their sector is able to trade beyond the anticipated level of restrictions at that date. Advocates including the Electronic Music Conference and Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance have communicated the need for continuing support for this sector;
- (x) sector advocates have also highlighted confusion in the nightlife sector as to how restrictions are applied, including the definition of a nightclub for the purposes of these orders, or whether venues operating under a hotel licence will also be subject to these capacity restrictions while also programming electronic/dance music for the purpose of dancing; and
- (xi) venues received the Public Health Orders only a couple of days prior to the 80 per cent reopening date, which is not enough time for businesses to prepare, and they are seeking advance notice of conditions; and

- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Premier, the Deputy Premier, the Treasurer and the Minister for Health requesting that:
- (i) they seek health advice specifically in relation to the operation of the nightclub sector, and develop a roadmap to full opening that provides more clarity and certainty for nightlife business operators, including clear dates when nightclub businesses can plan to transition from one person per four square metre to one person per two square metres, to the lifting of restrictions and a return to normal operations; and
 - (ii) the NSW Government engage with sector advocates including the Electronic Music Conference and the Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance to understand their concerns related to Roadmap to Reopening and to consider their recommendations for how to best support the nightlife sector, including a need for continued economic support for this sector while it is unable to return to normal operations.

The amendment was carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (9) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chung, Forster, Kok, Miller, Scott, Scully, Thalys and Vithoukaskas

Noes (1) Councillor Phelps.

The amended motion was carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (9) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chung, Forster, Kok, Miller, Scott, Scully, Thalys and Vithoukaskas

Noes (1) Councillor Phelps.

Amended motion carried.

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Note – Councillor Phelps was originally noted as having voted in favour of the amendment and the amended motion. Councillor Phelps' votes were subsequently clarified as against the amendment and amended motion.

Item 14.2 Redfern Railway Line Bridge

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Miller -

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the communities of Darlington and Chippendale are separated from those in Erskineville, Redfern, Waterloo and Alexandria by the railway line that runs between them;
- (ii) the privatisation of the Australian Technology Park has caused an influx of Commonwealth Bank workers to the area;
- (iii) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Redfern has been growing since 2017 with growth of 5.36 per cent in 2017, 4.20 per cent in 2018, 3.01 per cent in 2019 and 1.95 per cent in 2020;
- (iv) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Erskineville-Eveleigh has been growing since 2013 with growth of 4.41 per cent in 2013, 3.88 per cent in 2014, 3.65 per cent in 2015, 2.70 per cent in 2016, 2.84 per cent in 2017, 4.27 per cent in 2018, 2.30 per cent in 2019 and 1.85 per cent in 2020;
- (v) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Darlington has been growing since 2013 with growth of 6.41 per cent in 2013, 5.62 per cent in 2014, 6.62 per cent in 2015, 7.81 per cent in 2016, 4.45 per cent in 2017, 1.95 per cent in 2018, 0.83 per cent in 2019;
- (vi) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Chippendale has been growing since 2013 with growth of 17.00 per cent in 2013, 16.43 per cent in 2014, 14.73 per cent in 2015, 9.55 per cent in 2016, 7.37 per cent in 2017, 3.17 per cent in 2018, 2.38 per cent in 2019 and 1.31 per cent in 2020;
- (vii) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Alexandria has been growing since 2013 with growth of 2.51 per cent in 2013, 3.75 per cent in 2014, 3.80 per cent in 2015, 2.07 per cent in 2016, 4.06 per cent in 2017, 3.52 per cent in 2018, 2.25 per cent in 2019 and 1.82 per cent in 2020;
- (viii) the NSW Government, through Transport for NSW, is undertaking a number of major developments in the immediate area that will impact the whole precinct;
- (ix) the construction of the Waterloo Metro Station and upgrade to Redfern Station will see the use of this already busy transit hub increase;
- (x) residents of Redfern, Erskineville, Waterloo and Alexandria have been lobbying for a bridge that would connect North and South Eveleigh since at least 2008 when the Redfern Waterloo Authority prepared a proposal for a bridge across the railway line which they called the "Eveleigh Heritage Walk";
- (xi) calls for a bridge across the railway line have recently been renewed by the local community; and
- (xii) community groups REDWatch, Friends of Erskineville and the Alexandria Resident Action Group launched a petition in September 2021, which has gained 480 signatures, calling on the NSW Minister for Transport to approve the construction of a bridge over the railway line as a matter of urgency;

- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate the feasibility of commissioning a scoping study and design for the creation of a pedestrian and cycling connection, connecting the City communities between Redfern, Erskineville and Alexandria, across the railway line and report back to Councillors via the CEO Update on the feasibility and costs involved with commissioning this work. If feasible, funding could be included in the 2022/23 budget for Council consideration; and
- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Minister for Transport requesting that the NSW Government collaborate with the City on the design of a new pedestrian and cycling bridge over the railway line separating Redfern, Alexandria and Erskineville.

Amendment. Moved by Councillor Thalys, seconded by Councillor Miller –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
- (i) the communities of Darlington and Chippendale are separated from those in Erskineville, Redfern, Waterloo and Alexandria by the railway line that runs between them;
 - (ii) the privatisation of the Australian Technology Park (now known as South Eveleigh) has caused an influx of Commonwealth Bank workers to the area;
 - (iii) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Redfern has been growing since 2017 with growth of 5.36 per cent in 2017, 4.20 per cent in 2018, 3.01 per cent in 2019 and 1.95 per cent in 2020;
 - (iv) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Erskineville-Eveleigh has been growing since 2013 with growth of 4.41 per cent in 2013, 3.88 per cent in 2014, 3.65 per cent in 2015, 2.70 per cent in 2016, 2.84 per cent in 2017, 4.27 per cent in 2018, 2.30 per cent in 2019 and 1.85 per cent in 2020;
 - (v) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Darlington has been growing since 2013 with growth of 6.41 per cent in 2013, 5.62 per cent in 2014, 6.62 per cent in 2015, 7.81 per cent in 2016, 4.45 per cent in 2017, 1.95 per cent in 2018, 0.83 per cent in 2019;
 - (vi) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Chippendale has been growing since 2013 with growth of 17.00 per cent in 2013, 16.43 per cent in 2014, 14.73 per cent in 2015, 9.55 per cent in 2016, 7.37 per cent in 2017, 3.17 per cent in 2018, 2.38 per cent in 2019 and 1.31 per cent in 2020;
 - (vii) the Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that the population of Alexandria has been growing since 2013 with growth of 2.51 per cent in 2013, 3.75 per cent in 2014, 3.80 per cent in 2015, 2.07 per cent in 2016, 4.06 per cent in 2017, 3.52 per cent in 2018, 2.25 per cent in 2019 and 1.82 per cent in 2020;
 - (viii) the NSW Government, through Transport for NSW (TfNSW), is undertaking a number of major developments in the immediate area that will impact the whole precinct including the Redfern-North Eveleigh renewal;
 - (ix) in March 2021, Transport for NSW released its Draft Redfern-North Eveleigh Strategic Vision which included a commitment to investigate the feasibility of a second pedestrian rail crossing via a bridge or reuse of tunnels between North Eveleigh and South Eveleigh in order to maximise connections in the precinct;

- (x) the City's submission on Transport for NSW's Draft Redfern-North Eveleigh Strategic Vision recommended providing improved and unimpeded connections in the surrounding areas;
 - (xi) Transport for NSW is currently preparing to release its Redfern-North Eveleigh State Significant Precinct Study for public consultation;
 - (xii) the construction of the Waterloo Metro Station and upgrade to Redfern Station will see the use of this already busy transit hub increase;
 - (xiii) residents of Redfern, Erskineville, Waterloo and Alexandria have been lobbying for a bridge that would connect North and South Eveleigh since at least 2008 when the Redfern Waterloo Authority prepared a proposal for a bridge across the railway line which they called the "Eveleigh Heritage Walk";
 - (xiv) calls for a bridge across the railway line have recently been renewed by the local community; and
 - (xv) community groups REDWatch, Friends of Erskineville and the Alexandria Resident Action Group launched a petition in September 2021, which has gained 480 signatures, calling on the NSW Minister for Transport to approve the construction of a bridge over the railway line as a matter of urgency;
- (B) upon release of Transport for NSW's Redfern-North Eveleigh State Significant Precinct Study, the Chief Executive Officer be requested to closely examine its feasibility study for new connections across the railway line and provide feedback, with input from Councillors via the CEO Update; and
- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Minister for Transport requesting that the NSW Government:
- (i) commit to providing a pedestrian and cycling connection as part of the Redfern-North Eveleigh renewal to connect communities in Darlington and Chippendale with those in Erskineville, Redfern, Waterloo and Alexandria across the railway line; and
 - (ii) collaborate with the City, other key stakeholders in the area and the community throughout that connectivity project.

The amendment was carried on the following show of hands:

Ayes (8) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chung, Forster, Kok, Miller, Phelps, Scully and Thalys

Noes (2) Councillor Scott and Vithoukias.

Amended motion carried unanimously.

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Item 14.3 Loading Zone Access for Live Performance

Moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) -

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) on 1 September 2021, the Road Transport (General) Regulation 2021 ("2021 Regulation") repealed the Road Transport (General) Regulation 2013 ("2013 Regulation") and introduced some changes to the Road Rules 2014, including the following:
 - (a) ticketed loading zones were replaced with 'controlled loading zones';
 - (b) 15-minute and 15-minute ticket parking options were abolished for all loading zones (there was previously an opportunity for station wagons to use these zones);
 - (c) vehicles that are classified as 'station wagons' are no longer permitted to park in loading zones, unless they are involved in dropping off or picking up passengers; and
 - (d) previous 10-minute 'grace period' that applied before a penalty notice could be issued in a ticketed parking area, has been extended to 15 minutes (applies to paid parking for more than one hour);
- (ii) these changes will compound the barriers faced by those working in the live performance sector, preventing them from using loading zones to load and unload instruments and equipment when performing at venues in our local area and across NSW;
- (iii) the City supports live music and performance through a range of policy and planning initiatives:
 - (a) in March 2021, the City adopted the Open and Creative Planning Reforms which offers an extra trading hour for venues in late-night trading areas programming live entertainment or creative or cultural events;
 - (b) the Live Music and Performance Grant program provides support for capital works and equipment upgrades for venues operating at night, to enhance the quality and quantity of live music and performance programming and creative spaces;
 - (c) in 2018, the City updated its Busking Policy and Guidelines to simplify the rules and provide more opportunities for busking and live performance in City locations;
 - (d) the City has appointed a live music and performance liaison since 2014. This liaison acts as a first point of contact for regulatory enquiries and applications in relation to live music and performance;
 - (e) the City's Entertainment Sound Management Proposal seeks to enable the fair management of entertainment sound to protect live music and performance venues and the community from potential adverse impacts; and
 - (f) as part of our Covid-19 Recovery Plan, the City is inviting businesses with outdoor dining areas to apply for approval to host live entertainment;

- (iv) the City of Sydney’s Live Performance Action Plan notes that “most live music and performance venues do not provide parking spaces for performers while they load their equipment in and out of the venue”;
 - (v) this issue has been the subject of ongoing advocacy by the City of Sydney in delivering on the Live Performance Action Plan. Some reforms were also being investigated by the NSW Government’s ‘Better Regulation’ program, delivered through the Department of Finance, Service and Innovation under the supervision of Victor Dominello MP, Minister for Innovation. The Live Performance Action Plan also notes that “Other cities known for their live music scenes such as Austin, Texas and Nashville, Tennessee, have developed Musician Loading Zone programs to support their local musicians and to make a public statement about the role that music and performance plays in the cultural life of the city”; and
 - (vi) while other Australian councils such as the City of Yarra and the City of Port Phillip have introduced Live Music Venue Parking Permit schemes, in NSW it is NSW Government regulations that define how loading zones can be used and the types of vehicles that may use them. Therefore action must be taken at a State Government level to provide a solution for the live music sector; and
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Minister for the Arts, Minister for Transport and Roads and the Minister for Customer Service to provide feedback on the 2021 Regulation, and advocate for a musicians loading permit or another practical solution for musicians, performers and their crew to load their equipment in and out of venues, regardless of the vehicle type they use to transport their equipment.

Amendment. Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Miller -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
 - (i) on 1 September 2021, the Road Transport (General) Regulation 2021 (“2021 Regulation”) repealed the Road Transport (General) Regulation 2013 (“2013 Regulation”) and introduced some changes to the Road Rules 2014, including the following:
 - (a) ticketed loading zones were replaced with ‘controlled loading zones’;
 - (b) 15-minute and 15-minute ticket parking options were abolished for all loading zones (there was previously an opportunity for station wagons to use these zones);
 - (c) vehicles that are classified as ‘station wagons’ are no longer permitted to park in loading zones, unless they are involved in dropping off or picking up passengers; and
 - (d) previous 10-minute ‘grace period’ that applied before a penalty notice could be issued in a ticketed parking area, has been extended to 15 minutes (applies to paid parking for more than one hour);
 - (ii) these changes will compound the barriers faced by those working in the live performance sector, preventing them from using loading zones to load and unload instruments and equipment when performing at venues in our local area and across NSW;

- (iii) the City supports live music and performance through a range of policy and planning initiatives:
 - (a) in March 2021, the City adopted the Open and Creative Planning Reforms which offers an extra trading hour for venues in late-night trading areas programming live entertainment or creative or cultural events;
 - (b) the Live Music and Performance Grant program provides support for capital works and equipment upgrades for venues operating at night, to enhance the quality and quantity of live music and performance programming and creative spaces;
 - (c) in 2018, the City updated its Busking Policy and Guidelines to simplify the rules and provide more opportunities for busking and live performance in City locations;
 - (d) the City has appointed a live music and performance liaison since 2014. This liaison acts as a first point of contact for regulatory enquiries and applications in relation to live music and performance;
 - (e) the City's Entertainment Sound Management Proposal seeks to enable the fair management of entertainment sound to protect live music and performance venues and the community from potential adverse impacts; and
 - (f) as part of our Covid-19 Recovery Plan, the City is inviting businesses with outdoor dining areas to apply for approval to host live entertainment;
- (iv) the City of Sydney's Live Performance Action Plan notes that "most live music and performance venues do not provide parking spaces for performers while they load their equipment in and out of the venue";
- (v) this issue has been the subject of ongoing advocacy by the City of Sydney in delivering on the Live Performance Action Plan. Some reforms were also being investigated by the NSW Government's 'Better Regulation' program, delivered through the Department of Finance, Service and Innovation under the supervision of Victor Dominello MP, Minister for Innovation. The Live Performance Action Plan also notes that "Other cities known for their live music scenes such as Austin, Texas and Nashville, Tennessee, have developed Musician Loading Zone programs to support their local musicians and to make a public statement about the role that music and performance plays in the cultural life of the city"; and
- (vi) while other Australian councils such as the City of Yarra and the City of Port Phillip have introduced Live Music Venue Parking Permit schemes, in NSW it is NSW Government regulations that define how loading zones can be used and the types of vehicles that may use them. Therefore action must be taken at a State Government level to provide a solution for the live music sector; and

- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Minister for the Arts, Minister for Transport and Roads and the Minister for Customer Service to advocate for:
- (i) an amendment to the Road Rule (2014) Regulation 179 to expand the permissible use of a loading zone to include creatives loading and unloading equipment into performance spaces; and
 - (ii) a musicians loading permit or another practical solution for musicians, performers and their crew to load their equipment in and out of venues, regardless of the vehicle type they use to transport their equipment.

The amendment was carried unanimously.

Amended motion carried unanimously.

S129264

Item 14.4 Ensuring Age Appropriate Housing and Priority Housing for Older People

Moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Scott -

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the Housing for the Aged Action Group (HAAG) is the only Australian organisation of its type specialising in the housing needs of older people. Representing 500 members, the Housing for the Aged Action Group are committed to finding long term solutions to the housing crisis facing older Australians, and do so by providing services and through advocacy;
- (ii) across the country, one in seven people experiencing homelessness are over the age of 55 years;
- (iii) older women are the fastest growing cohort of people experiencing homelessness in Australia;
- (iv) to address this crisis, a range of supports are required to cater for a broad spectrum of circumstances, including support to age in place, an increased supply of social and affordable housing for older people, supported accommodation models for older people with more complex needs and specific residential aged care facilities that can provide intensive support to those who have previously experienced homelessness;
- (v) in Victoria, the Housing for the Aged Action Group have established the Home At Last service with support from the Victorian government, which undertakes community and professional education to reach older people before they experience a housing crisis, offers free and confidential advice, support and advocacy to older people who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or are wanting to plan their housing future. Home at Last is available to any older person in Victoria on a low income with low assets;
- (vi) as part of their mission to secure appropriate housing stock, services and housing policy reform for older people, the Housing for the Aged Action Group have made three requests of the NSW Government, which are:
 - (a) fund a specialist service engaging with communities directly to reach older people before they experience a housing crisis, providing tailored housing information and assistance with housing applications, support during the move and referrals into aged care and other supports, similar to the Home At Last service delivered in Victoria;
 - (b) lower the priority age for social housing eligibility from 80 years as a matter of priority; and
 - (c) build 5,000 social and affordable homes per year for 10 years, 20 per cent of which should be dedicated to older people;

- (vii) the City of Sydney's Local Housing Strategy, Housing for All, highlights that "There is a growing cohort of older people living in the city that has implications for the types of housing required to meet their needs". To support this cohort the City of Sydney:
 - (a) granted funds towards the Holdsworth Community pilot, a HomeShare program which provides the opportunity for older people to connect with people in the community and assist them to age in place;
 - (b) granted \$1.5 million to the HammondCare Darlinghurst Project which opened in 2020, which provides 42 rooms for older, vulnerable people who are experiencing or are at risk of homelessness; and
 - (c) granted \$3 million to Wesley Mission to develop 74 new dwellings for women aged over 55 who are at risk of homelessness or are experiencing homelessness; and
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Minister for Water, Property and Housing and the Premier of NSW to request that they meet with the Housing for the Aged Action Group to discuss their advocacy objectives and take steps to deliver on these objectives.

Carried unanimously.

S129264

Item 14.5 Works Zone Fees

Moved by Councillor Thalís, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) -

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) on-street Works Zones are provided to assist in the safe operation of construction activity where loading/unloading activities cannot be accommodated within the development site;
- (ii) a Construction Traffic Management Plan must accompany a Works Zone application;
- (iii) if a Works Zone application is supported by staff, it is then presented to the Local Pedestrian Cycling and Traffic Calming Committee for recommendation, and then approved by Council or staff under delegated authority;
- (iv) the City's fees and charges are determined each year by Council. The following fees are payable for a Works Zone application for the use of the public domain:
 - (a) between \$88-142 per lineal metre per week (outside the core area);
 - (b) between \$137-203 per lineal metre per week (inside the core area);
 - (c) non-refundable application fee; and
 - (d) security deposit between \$13,380-\$27,740;
- (v) fees and charges collected are required to continue providing community services and facilities;
- (vi) the City accepts applications for the temporary use of the public domain for construction activity via a Temporary Works Application at a much lower cost than a Works Zone;
- (vii) according to the City's Schedule of Fees and Charges 2021/22, the Core Area includes all streets within the area bounded by Alfred Street, Macquarie Street then Elizabeth Street to Eddy Avenue, Broadway and Wattle Street, plus Kings Cross; and
- (viii) the Core Area does not distinguish between type of development, only location. This can add an unreasonable cost to small applicants (for example an owner undertaking renovation works on a terrace or small shop in Ultimo and Pyrmont); and

(B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate the definition of what is considered part of the Core Area for the purposes of Works Zone applications and report back via the CEO Update. This may involve the removal of blocks currently within the Core Area where terrace houses predominate, however, may also include blocks currently outside the Core Area where large redevelopment is occurring and/or a review of the fees and charges for Works Zones to determine if they could be more consistent across the Local Government Area. The review and any proposed changes should align with budget processes from 2022/23 onwards.

Carried unanimously.

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At 9.27 pm the meeting concluded.

Chair of a meeting of the Council of the City
of Sydney held on Monday 15 November 2021 at which
meeting the signature herein was subscribed.