

5 October 2021

At 5.00 pm

Extraordinary Council

Agenda

- 1. Disclosures of Interest
- 2. Sydney New Year's Eve 2021
- 3. Notices of Motion
 - 3.1 Reinstating the 9pm Family Fireworks
 - 3.2 Recession of 17 May 2021 Council Resolution Sydney New Year's Eve 2021-2026 Memorandum of Understanding and Agency Agreements

Item 1

Disclosures of Interest

Pursuant to the provisions of the City of Sydney Code of Meeting Practice and the City of Sydney Code of Conduct, Councillors are required to disclose pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting.

Councillors are also required to disclose any non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting.

This will include receipt of reportable political donations over the previous four years.

In both cases, the nature of the interest must be disclosed.

Item 2

Sydney New Year's Eve 2021

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Item 3.1

Notices of Motion

Reinstating the 9pm Family Fireworks

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- since 2001, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the NSW Government (the State) has provided a commitment between the State, NSW Government Agencies (the Agencies) and the City to cooperate in the organisation and staging of Sydney New Year's Eve;
- (ii) in 2020, due to ongoing concerns about the Covid-19 pandemic, the NSW Government took over the operations and expenses of running Sydney New Year's Eve. The NSW Government chose not to hold 9pm family fireworks due to concerns about the risk of Covid-19 spread;
- (iii) current projections predict that by 1 December 2021 vaccination rates in NSW will be at 90 per cent;
- (iv) Sydney New Year's Eve fireworks bring up to \$133 million into the local economy;
- (v) the 9pm fireworks are known as the 'family fireworks' and allow children to partake in the New Year's Eve festivities; and
- (vi) children and their families across Sydney have expressed sadness at the cancellation of the 9pm fireworks; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to bring a revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Agency Agreement to Council that includes 9pm fireworks in all years of the agreements.

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Item 3.2

Notices of Motion

Recission of 17 May 2021 Council Resolution - Sydney New Year's Eve 2021-2026 Memorandum of Understanding and Agency Agreements

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Property and Tenders Committee on 10 May 2021, the Committee deferred consideration of the Sydney New Year's Eve 2021-2026 Memorandum of Understanding and Agency Agreements to the Council meeting on 17 May 2021;
- (ii) on 17 May 2021, Council resolved that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the NSW Government, and Agency Agreements with relevant NSW Government Agencies, for a further five year period with regard to the facilitation and support of 2021 to 2025 Sydney New Year's Eve events;
- (iii) since 2001, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the NSW Government (the State) has provided a commitment between the State, NSW Government Agencies (the Agencies) and the City to cooperate in the organisation and staging of Sydney New Year's Eve;
- (iv) in 2020, due to ongoing concerns about the Covid-19 pandemic, the NSW Government took over the operations and expenses of running of Sydney New Year's Eve; and
- (v) current projections predict that by 1 December 2021 vaccination rates in NSW will be at 90 per cent and
- (B) Council rescind the 17 May 2021 resolution relating to Sydney New Year's Eve 2021-2026 Memorandum of Understanding and Agency Agreements, namely:

It is resolved that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the NSW Government, and Agency Agreements with relevant NSW Government Agencies, for a further five-year period with regard to the facilitation and support of 2021 to 2025 Sydney New Year's Eve Events.

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