Minutes of the Cultural and Creative Committee - 14 November 2022

Members Lord Mayor - Councillor Clover Moore (Chair), Deputy Lord Mayor - Councillor

Sylvie Ellsmore, Councillor HY William Chan, Councillor (Waskam) Emelda Davis, Councillor Lyndon Gannon (Deputy Chair), Councillor Shauna Jarrett, Councillor Robert Kok, Councillor Linda Scott, Councillor Jess Scully and

Councillor Yvonne Weldon.

At the commencement of business at 2.49pm those present were -

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Chan, Davis, Ellsmore, Kok, Scully and Weldon.

Apologies

Councillor Lyndon Gannon extended his apologies for his inability to attend the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee.

Councillor Shauna Jarrett extended her apologies for her inability to attend the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee.

Councillor Linda Scott extended her apologies for her inability to attend the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee.

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

That the apologies of Councillors Gannon, Jarrett and Scott be accepted and leave of absence from the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee be granted.

Carried unanimously.

The meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee concluded at 2.55pm.

Item 1

Confirmation of Minutes

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

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee of Monday 17 October 2022, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

Councillor (Waskam) Emelda Davis disclosed a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 on the agenda, in that she is Chairwoman of Australian South Sea Islanders Port Jackson. The organisation provided grant support letters to the Australian Maritime Museum and the Pyrmont-Ultimo Chamber of Commerce.

Councillor Davis noted that these organisations are recommended for funding, and stated that she would not be voting on this matter.

Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 on the agenda, in that one of the grant recipients recommended for funding is Sydney Improvised Music Association Incorporated. Councillor Ellsmore was recently a guest and spoke at the opening of the Women's Jazz Festival, which was a recipient of the previous grant, and organised in part by the Sydney Improvised Music Association Incorporated (SIMA).

Councillor Ellsmore considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she was attending the event in her capacity as a Councillor and the event was officially sponsored by the City. She was not aware of the grant application which is subject to a recommendation at Council, and did not discuss the grant with SIMA or any related person or organisation.

Councillor Yvonne Weldon disclosed a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 on the agenda, in that she is the Deputy Chairperson of the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council, one of the applicants for Cultural Grants funding.

Councillor Weldon stated that she would not be voting on this matter.

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

Item 3

Grants and Sponsorship – Cultural Grants

The Cultural and Creative Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 21 November 2022.

Officer's Recommendation

The officer's recommendation to the Cultural and Creative Committee was as follows -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and value in kind recommendations for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship program as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash grant or value in kind for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship program as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST;
- (D) 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
- (E) 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.

Officer's Report

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 3 on the agenda of the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee on 14 November 2022.

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The Cultural and Creative Committee recommends the following:

Item 4

Post Exhibition - Busking and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Practice Policy

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council adopt the Busking and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Practice Policy, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note the Sydney Busking Code, as shown at Attachment B to the subject report, to be published as a guidance document to accompany the Policy; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make amendments to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Practice Policy and the Sydney Busking Code in order to correct any minor drafting errors and finalise design, artwork and accessible formats for publication.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee, this recommendation was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Davis, and carried unanimously.)

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