

24 June 2024

At 5.00 pm

Council

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Item 1

Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the following meeting of Council are submitted for confirmation:

Meeting of 13 May 2024

Item 2

Statement of Ethical Obligations

In accordance with section 233A of the Local Government Act 1993, the Lord Mayor and Councillors are bound by the Oath or Affirmation of Office made at the start of the Council term to undertake their civic duties in the best interests of the people of the City of Sydney and the City of Sydney Council and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the Local Government Act 1993 or any other Act, to the best of their ability and judgement.

Disclosures of Interest

Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, the City of Sydney Code of Meeting Practice and the City of Sydney Code of Conduct, Councillors are required to disclose and manage both pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting.

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

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

Item 3.1

Vale Ignatius Jones AM

File No: S051491

Minute by the Lord Mayor

To Council:

I wish to inform Council of the passing of former New Year's Eve Creative Director, Ignatius Jones AM on 7 May 2024 in Manila, Philippines.

Ignatius was born Juan Ignacio Rafaelo Lorenzo Trápaga y Esteban on 24 October 1957 to Basque-Chinese father, Nestor Juan Trápaga, and a Catalan-American mother, Margot in Singalong, Manila, Philippines. Two brothers followed. In 1963, the family migrated to Australia. His sister Monica, later an entertainer and Play School presenter, was born two years later.

After completing his high school education at St Ignatius' College, Riverview, several careers followed.

Ignatius initially attracted attention as founding member and lead singer of "shock rock" band Jimmy and the Boys formed in 1976. Involvement with other bands followed, including Pardon me Boys, a short-lived Australian swing jazz-cabaret band he formed with his sister Monica.

His experience with Australia's live music scene led him to journalism, initially writing for R.A.M (Rock Australia Magazine), The Edge and Stiletto, a pop culture and fashion magazine, which he also edited.

His career further expanded in the 1980s and 1990s, working as an actor in film and television, an onscreen reporter and interviewer for SVS-TV's Culture Shock, writing two books, 'True Hip' and the 1992 'True Hip Manual' and directing children's videos featuring his sister Monica and her band, Monica and the Moochers.

In the late 1990s, he devised the Olympic Journey Begins, a roadshow leading up to the 2000 Sydney Olympics. It visited 27 cities and towns reaching audiences totalling three million people.

In 1996, he was appointed the City's New Year's Eve Creative Director, a position he held until 2002. The Sydney Morning Herald credited him with transforming the final night of the year into the biggest annual event in Australia and an international pyrotechnic benchmark. He devised spectacular effects using the Harbour Bridge, including the giant Eternity sign and the Harbour of Light Marine Lantern Parade with designer Peter England.

In 2001, the City received a formal request from East Timor's Minister for External Affairs and Information, Dr Jose Ramos Horta seeking help with their Independence celebrations in May 2002.

On 11 February 2002, Council unanimously agreed to contribute to \$90,716 to the East Timor Independence Celebrations. This contribution enabled Ignatius and New Year's Eve Production Manager, Ed Wilkinson to travel to East Timor to devise and stage this historically significant event. It was a rare instance of a creative practitioner directing the "opening night of a country".

Ignatius continued to work on major events in Australia and overseas, including directing ceremonies for the 2002 Sydney Gay Games, the Doha 2006 Asian Games and the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games.

He was creative director of Vivid Sydney from 2011 to 2019 and artistic director of the Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Parades between 2011 and 2015.

Ignatius' contribution has been recognised with many awards. He shared in the inaugural Helpmann Award in 2001 for Best Event - 2000 Olympics Opening and Closing Ceremonies and the 2003 Sydney Star Observer Pride Week Award for his work on the Sydney Gay Games Opening Ceremony.

He was honoured with the Filipino-Australian of the Year Award 2014 by the Filipino Communities Council of Australia, a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017 at the Australian Event Awards and in 2019 he was appointed Member of the Order of Australia "for significant service to entertainment as a writer, director, author and performer."

In October 2018, Ignatius married his long-time partner, Novy Bereber, retiring to live with him in the Philippines in 2022.

When Ignatius greeted the audience of 38,000 at the 2002 Gay Games Opening Ceremony he said: "Australia and the gay and lesbian community is not so much a melting pot ... We are more of a mixed salad, where every part remains separate, yet adds to the wonder of the whole ... I have been lucky, I have never had to come out, I was never in."

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) all persons attending this meeting of Council observe one minute's silence to commemorate the life of Ignatius Jones AM and his significant contribution to Sydney's and Australia's cultural life and events industry;
- (B) Council express its condolences to Ignatius Jones' family; and
- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to convey Council's condolences to Ignatius' husband, Novy Bereber, his mother, Margot Martin, his brother Luis Miguel and his sisters, Rocio and Monica.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE AO

Lord Mayor

Item 3.2

Support for Papua New Guinea Following Landslides

Document to Follow

Item 3.3

State Apology for the Criminalisation of Homosexuality and the Need for Further Reform

File No: S051491

Minute by the Lord Mayor

To Council:

Just over 40 years ago, on 8 June 1984, the Crimes (Amendment) Bill commenced. This Bill, introduced into the NSW Legislative Assembly as a Private Member's Bill by then NSW Premier Neville Wran, decriminalised consensual homosexual acts between men aged 18 and above, removed the phrases "unnatural offences" and "the abominable crime of buggery" from the Crimes Act and repealed the soliciting provisions frequently used by police to entrap homosexual men.

While welcomed at the time, it was only partial reform. The Bill retained an unequal age of consent. The age of consent for consensual heterosexual acts was and is 16. It was not until 2003 that the Crimes Act was amended to provide equality.

On 6 June 2024, 40 years to the day when the then Governor Sir James Rowland signed the Wran Bill into law, both Houses of the NSW Parliament unanimously agreed to the following resolution:

That this House, on behalf of the people of NSW:

- (1) Apologises unreservedly to those convicted under discriminatory laws that criminalised homosexual acts,
- (2) Recognises and regrets this Parliament's role in enacting laws and endorsing policies of successive governments decisions that criminalised, persecuted and harmed people based on their sexuality and gender,
- (3) Recognises the trauma people of diverse sexualities, their families and loved ones, have endured and continue to live with, and
- (4) Acknowledges that there is still much work to be done to ensure the equal rights for all members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

Several Members in both Houses spoke about the devasting impact of the criminal law on sexually and gender diverse people, and how it encouraged discrimination, prejudice, harassment, hatred and violence.

On 3 June 2024, the Legislative Assembly Committee on Community Services published its report following its inquiry into Equality Legislation Amendment (LGBTIQA+) Bill 2023 introduced by Alex Greenwich MP.

The Committee recommended that the Parliament of NSW proceed to consider the Bill. It also made two findings:

1. There were diverse and conflicting views on the amendments proposed by the Bill and how they would operate.

2. There is a need for additional policy measures and funding to improve the safety and wellbeing of LGBTIQA+ people. These may be directed towards addressing issues like disadvantage, discrimination and poorer health outcomes experienced by LGBTIQA+ people.

The NSW Parliament now has an opportunity to end remaining inequalities and discrimination. It should not only consider the Equality Bill but pass it forthwith.

Recommendation

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) commend the NSW Parliament for adopting the Apology resolution as set out in this Lord Mayoral Minute and endorse the contents of this resolution; and
- (B) reaffirm Council's endorsement of the Equality Legislation Amendment (LGBTIQA+) Bill 2023 and call upon the NSW Parliament to consider and pass this Bill.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE AO

Lord Mayor

Item 3.4

20th Anniversary of REDWatch

File No: S051491

Minute by the Lord Mayor

To Council:

On 16 May 2004, REDWatch members convened their first meeting in response to community concerns about issues around The Block and subsequent NSW Government plans for Redfern and Waterloo.

Twenty years on, REDWatch continues to provide essential support and advocacy for the communities of Redfern, Eveleigh, Darlington and Waterloo.

I want to acknowledge the work of REDWatch volunteers and how much we appreciate the ongoing collaboration between our organisations. Through monthly meetings, detailed enewsletter updates and its website, REDWatch has played a major role in keeping the community updated and helping residents engage with key agencies on issues that affect them.

City of Sydney staff and I have worked with REDWatch, to achieve important outcomes for the community, in particular for public housing tenants, and to advocate for improvements to development on State-owned land. The City works closely with REDWatch to make sure the local community is informed by presenting at forums and sharing our expertise and resources with the group. We also work with REDWatch to ensure that the needs of the community are reflected in our own advocacy and submissions to the NSW Government.

While a Member of Parliament, I asked many questions in Parliament, tabled petitions, moved amendments and regularly spoke on behalf of the Redfern and Waterloo community in response to government legislation.

For example, in 2012 I lobbied the NSW Government to immediately install lifts at Redfern Station – a decade later the community finally has a more accessible station with free community access across the Southern Concourse. However, we are all still waiting for the additional active transport link across the railway tracks to truly connect North and South Eveleigh.

The City and REDWatch have collaborated over the years to protect public space, access and heritage. This includes campaigns around the Australian Technology Park, Explorer Street Eveleigh, the Paint Shop sub-precinct and the Large Erecting Shed.

Most notably, the City has worked with the community to improve the NSW Government's plans for the renewal of Waterloo Estate. We were successful in getting a significantly larger main park outside the Metro Station and in Waterloo South we successfully advocated for 50 per cent Social and Affordable Housing in Waterloo South with better built form outcomes including fewer and lower buildings.

REDWatch has always been highly engaged in the NSW Government's plans, including those for the redevelopment of Waterloo Estate. For years, the Waterloo community has been concerned about the future of their neighbourhood and their homes, but REDWatch has provided stable support and has been a strong advocate and a source of truth.

REDWatch has been an active member of the Waterloo Human Services Collaborative, alongside the City and other key agencies. They are assisting with engagement, planning and coordinated responses to the Waterloo community in advance of the redevelopment, to address the current and future needs of the community. Without REDWatch's vehement commitment to the social housing residents living within the buildings, we would not have a People and Place Framework for Waterloo South.

On behalf the City of Sydney, I thank the volunteers who have kept REDWatch active over the past two decades who have given their time to support and advocate for the community, most notably long-standing REDWatch spokesperson, Geoff Turnbull.

I invite Councillors to join me in congratulating REDWatch on their 20th anniversary and commend the group's achievements during this time.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the City and REDWatch's ongoing collaboration in advocating for better outcomes for the community;
- (B) Council congratulate REDWatch, its spokesperson Geoff Turnbull and all its members and volunteers for their 20 years of service to the community; and
- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to REDWatch to congratulate the group on their 20th anniversary and thank REDWatch volunteers for their support and dedication to the communities of Redfern, Eveleigh, Darlington and Waterloo.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE AO

Lord Mayor

Item 3.5

Creative Land Trust

Document to Follow

Item 3.6

Improving Safety for People Riding and Walking

File No: S051491

Minute by the Lord Mayor

To Council:

The City of Sydney's commitment to creating a city for walking and cycling is a key part of our work to improve liveability and to address the climate emergency. It reduces emissions by providing clean and efficient alternatives to driving. Making it easier for people to walk and ride is also good for business and our community's health.

The City has delivered 25 kilometres of safe, separated cycleways, 66 kilometres of shared paths and 45 kilometres of other cycling infrastructure. Bike trips in our local area have more than doubled since 2010, and we estimate that more than 10,000 people now ride to work on weekdays. That is the equivalent of 10 full trains or 166 full buses.

Share bikes are a useful and sustainable means of transport for many people. Between January and June 2024, over 840,000 trips were made by share bike in the City, which equates to over 160,000 trips per month.

However, the number of share bikes in our area has drastically increased from 328 in January 2022 to 4,500 in May 2024, creating unacceptable clutter, and safety and access issues for people on footpaths and other public places.

Share bikes

The City has no direct involvement in the provision, regulation, or management of bike share schemes. They don't require permission to operate.

In 2017, before any bike share companies started operating in Sydney, I wrote to the then NSW Government asking them to regulate bike share operations. I also expressed concerns about how abandoned bikes would be dealt with.

In the absence of NSW Government action at that time, the City along with six other Sydney councils developed guidelines that set expectations for bike share operators. Unfortunately, despite our best efforts, there is no statutory requirement or incentives for bike share companies to comply.

In November 2022, the former NSW Government introduced the Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021, which makes operators responsible for removing share bikes quickly from public land if they are poorly parked, interfering with public amenity, or causing an obstruction or safety risk.

There are significant challenges for councils applying the legislation to share bikes. It does not provide any investigative powers and seven days is too long to wait before Council's Rangers can move problematic bikes. Further, the burden is placed on councils to store impounded bikes before they can be claimed or disposed of.

Despite the City's limited powers, we asked bike share operators in our area to implement designated bike parking areas through their apps to promote responsible parking. This means share bike users will only be able to finish their trip and stop the clock running on payment once they place the bike in the allocated area. They are charged a penalty if they fail to comply (e.g. capped at \$25 for Lime bike).

The City initiated trials in Pyrmont, Ultimo and Circular Quay allocating 60 dedicated bike parking areas on footpaths or public domain areas across these suburbs where there is sufficient space and strong demand from operators and riders for share bikes. Our records for the Pyrmont trial show that the percentage of share bikes with helmets has increased from 33 per cent to 61 per cent. Further, 77 per cent of share bikes are now parked within one metre of a designated parking area, which helps to contain the issues.

A second trial of 50 dedicated spaces is being established in Forest Lodge and Chippendale and will be operational by July 2024.

In March, I wrote to the Ministers for Roads, Transport and the Police, asking the NSW Government for regulation of share bike companies and to allow bike parking on the road at certain intersections where it does not pose a risk to safety, so we can free up more space on our footpaths. I have also asked Police to crack down on e-bikes that have been illegally modified to allow the motor assistance to exceed 25km/h.

The Minister for Police responded saying she has referred my concerns to the relevant Command so that police can monitor and address the issues.

Earlier this month, I also met with the Minister for Roads who acknowledged our concerns and advised that Transport for NSW is currently developing options for regulating share bikes and will be consulting on these very soon. At the same time, I note that an NSW Parliamentary Inquiry has been established into the use of e-scooters, e-bikes and related mobility options, which I welcome.

Before allocating any more resources to progressing additional designated bike parking trials in other areas of the City, we will wait until the NSW Government and the Parliamentary Inquiry engages with Councils and the community and report their findings.

The City's efforts to influence operator behaviour cannot address the causes of the issue, so NSW Government regulation is urgently required. As a priority, the NSW Government must limit the number of share bike operators and the number of share bikes available for use in our area.

Educating riders

We are aware that many of the people riding on footpaths - often at speed, and conflicting with people walking - are working as food delivery riders or use share bikes. The community increasingly demands and relies on deliveries by bicycle, and people working as delivery riders have the right to safe working conditions. People often ride on footpaths as they feel it is safest for them.

The City is investing over \$105 million over the next ten years to complete a safe and connected bike network, which will help get bikes off the footpath and make walking more pleasant. It will take pressure off roads and public transport by providing a viable alternative to cars for making short trips.

City staff run on-the-ground education programs where they speak to riders on popular commuting routes throughout the City at least twice a week and run regular courses to teach people to ride safely.

We are spending an additional \$120,000 in the 2024/25 financial year to expand our education programs so that our staff can speak to more riders across more areas, especially food delivery riders in high activity areas. We will also refresh our shared path signage so it is clear who can legally use our footpaths and shareways to encourage more courteous behaviour.

The City also spends over \$28 million each year to make walking easier and safer by improving pedestrian connections, widening and upgrading footpaths, and installing lighting and ramps. The City's Walking Strategy and Action Plan – Continuing the Vision outlines how we will continue and approve upon that work over the next ten years.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
 - (i) creating a City for walking and cycling improves liveability, reduces emissions and provides cheaper and healthier alternatives to driving;
 - (ii) the number of share bikes in our area has drastically increased from 328 in January 2022 to 4,500 in May 2024 creating unacceptable clutter and safety and access issues for people on footpaths and other public places;
 - (iii) since 2017, the City of Sydney and the Lord Mayor have been advocating to the NSW Government for regulation of share bike schemes including letters to and meetings with Transport for NSW and relevant Ministers;
 - (iv) the Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021 is not an effective way for councils to manage issues with share bikes;
 - (v) Transport for NSW is developing options for regulating share bikes and will be consulting on them soon;
 - (vi) on 6 June 2024, a NSW Parliamentary Inquiry was established into the use of escooters, e-bikes and related mobility options;
 - (vii) the City of Sydney will wait until the NSW Government and the Parliamentary Inquiry engages with councils and the community and report their findings before progressing additional designated bike parking trials across our Local Government Area; and
 - (viii) the City of Sydney is allocating significant funding in the Long Term Financial Plan 2024/25 to 2033/34 to make walking safer and easier, to complete a safe and connected bike network and to expand our rider education programs to improve safety for people riding and walking; and

(B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to participate in upcoming consultation processes by Transport for NSW and in relation to the NSW Parliamentary Inquiry calling for:

- (i) a cap on the number of share bike operators in our Local Government Area as well as the number of share bikes available for use and setting expectations for equipment quality and safety, and circular economy obligations; and
- (ii) changes to relevant NSW Roads Rules to enable councils to designate bike share parking areas on the road in locations where it is safe, such as within 'No stopping' areas at the departure side of some intersections.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE AO

Lord Mayor

Item 3.7

Housing Density in the City of Sydney

Document to Follow

Item 3.8

2024 Sydney Peace Prize

Document to Follow

Item 4

Memoranda by the Chief Executive Officer

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

Item 5

Matters for Tabling

5.1 Disclosures of Interest

Disclosure of Interest returns that have been lodged in accordance with the City of Sydney Code of Conduct will be tabled.

Recommendation

It is resolved that the Disclosures of Interest returns be received and noted.

Item 6

Report of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee - 17 June 2024

Item 6.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee of Monday 6 May 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 6.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Linda Scott disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Items 6.3 and 6.4 on the agenda, in that she is the President of Australian Local Government Association (ALGA), of which Local Government NSW (LGNSW) is a member, which the City is a member of. The budget, should the Council choose to rejoin LGNSW, may fund this LGNSW membership in the future. She is the Chair of CareSuper, a profit to member superannuation fund, which the Council's budget may fund in the form of employee or Councillor superannuation payments, if staff or Councillors are members. This is the set of circumstances that would apply to any superannuation fund in Australia. She is also the Deputy President of the Australian Council of Superannuation Investors (ACSI), which provides with environmental, social and governance (ESG) advice, research and training about investments.

Councillor Scott considers that these non-pecuniary conflicts of interest are not significant and do not require further action in the circumstances because she applies her judgement to the decisions as a Councillor for the City of Sydney.

Councillor Yvonne Weldon disclosed a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 6.9 on the agenda, in that she has a long-standing personal relationship with Emily McDaniel.

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 Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee.

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

Item 6.3

Integrated Planning and Reporting Program and Budget 2024/25 – Adoption

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note the submissions received from the community, and staff responses, on the exhibited suite of the Integrated Planning and Reporting documents as shown at Attachment C to the subject report;

- (B) Council note the proposed changes to the documents, including fees and charges, as incorporated within the Operational Plan and Resourcing Strategy, and set out in Attachment D to the subject report;
- (C) Council adopt the Operational Plan 2024/25, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (D) Council adopt the Resourcing Strategy 2024, as shown at Attachment B to the subject report including the revised Asset Management Policy now included as an appendix to the Community Asset Management Plan;
- (E) Council adopt the draft Operating and Capital Budgets and future years' forward estimates as reflected in the Operational Plan 2024/25 and Resourcing Strategy 2024 including:
 - (i) Operating income of \$716.4M, operating expenditure before depreciation of \$597.3M for an Operating Result of \$119.1M, and a Net Surplus of \$115.4M after allowing for interest income, depreciation and capital contributions;
 - (ii) Capital Works expenditure of \$228.5M; including a capital contingency of \$8.0M;
 - (iii) Plant and Assets net expenditure of \$18.6M;
 - (iv) Capital Works (Technology and Digital Services) of \$24.0M; and
 - (v) Net Property Acquisitions of \$28.0M;
- (F) Council adopt the Rates Structure, Domestic Waste Management Charges, Stormwater Charges and User Fees and Charges discussed within the subject report and included within the Operational Plan 2024/25; and
- (G) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to approve any minor editorial and document design corrections prior to publication.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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

Item 6.4

Investments Held as at 31 May 2024

It is resolved that Investment Report as at 31 May 2024 be received and noted.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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

Item 6.5

Post Exhibition - Grants and Sponsorship Policy and Guidelines

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the submissions received from the community on the draft Grants and Sponsorship Program Guidelines as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council adopt the Grants and Sponsorship Program Guidelines as shown at Attachment B to the subject report; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments to Grants and Sponsorship Program Guidelines in order to correct any minor drafting errors and finalise design, artwork and accessible formats for publication.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

S117676

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

Item 6.6

Public Exhibition - Naming Proposal - Ngamuru Avenue

It is resolved that:

(A) Council provide in-principle approval to name the new road connecting Bowden Street in Alexandria to Geddes Avenue in Zetland, "Ngamuru Avenue", and that the name be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days; and

(B) note that a further report will be submitted to Council on the results of the public consultation process.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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

Item 6.7

Lease Approval - Woolstores Alexandria

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the lease proposal information included in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council approve the granting of a new lease in accordance with the essential lease terms and conditions contained within Confidential Attachment B to the subject report; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the terms of the lease, including in relation to the exercise of the option, in accordance with the essential terms and conditions contained within Confidential Attachment B to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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

Item 6.8

Lease Approval - 180 George Street, Sydney

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the lease proposal information included in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council approve the granting of a new lease in accordance with the essential lease terms and conditions contained within Confidential Attachment B to the subject report; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the terms of the lease, including in relation to the exercise of the option, in accordance with the essential terms and conditions contained within Confidential Attachment B to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

X100664.001

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

Item 6.9

Exemption From Tender – Curatorial Services - Eora Journey - Yananurala

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 a contract for curatorial services for the Eora Journey: Recognition in the Public Domain – Yananurala with Emily McDaniel (ABN: 6745690104) for a three year term, with the option to extend for two additional 12-month terms, if appropriate, for the total contract value outlined in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report;

- (B) Council note that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for this work because of the following extenuating circumstances:
 - the social and cultural complexities of the Eora Journey Yananurala projects and the risk of the loss of goodwill and relationships built-up by the Yananurala Curator from engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and community members in the City of Sydney and more broadly over the past four years;
 - (ii) Ms McDaniel has developed cultural and community knowledge by working with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members and consultants and changing now would be high risk to the City for the development of projects; and
 - (iii) the loss of professional insights gained by the Yananurala Curator in the development of Eora Journey Yananurala projects which includes working with NSW government authorities on whose land Yananurala projects will be located;
- (C) Council note the total contract value for curatorial services for the Eora Journey: Recognition in the Public Domain Yananurala is outlined in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise, execute and administer (including exercising options, if appropriate) the contract relating for curatorial services for the Eora Journey: Recognition in the Public Domain Yananurala for the term and total contract sum detailed in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report:
- (E) Council note the revised project timeline at Attachment A to the subject report for Yananurala which forms the basis of the contract award; and
- (F) Council note the expanded role of the Eora Journey Yananurala Curator to include the implementation of the remaining Eora Journey: Recognition in the Public Domain projects relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in addition to Council endorsed Yananurala projects the Redfern Terrace, in development as part of the Redfern Community Centre park upgrade; and future projects, the Avenue of Hope; the Eora Journey walk from the harbour to Redfern; and Redfern Tours.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

S110607.005

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

Item 6.10

Exemption from Tender - Barges and Tugs for 2024 and 2025 Sydney New Year's Eve

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 engage with a suitable service provider for Barge and Tug services for the 2024 and 2025 New Year's Eve events:
- (B) Council note that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for this work because:
 - given the industry capacity issues and ongoing discussions with the pyrotechnic service provider for the 2024 Sydney New Year's Eve event; there is insufficient time to undertake required market consultation, scoping discussions and then conduct a tender process for these services; and
 - (ii) the industry is currently experiencing ongoing high levels of demand and capacity issues. As a result, the City needs to work with service providers to determine the scope that can be delivered within the remaining timeframes and the appropriate engagement model;
- (C) Council approve the maximum total contract value under (A) for the provision of Barge and Tug services as outlined in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report, for a period of up to two years; and
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise, execute and administer the contract for Barge and Tug services for up to two years.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

X100794.003

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

Item 6.11

Exemption from Tender - George Street Beacon Lights, Seasonal Star Lights and Central Management System

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve an exemption from tender in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 noting that, because of the extenuating circumstances, a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders to provide and manage the George Street beacon lights, seasonal star lights and central management system;
- (B) Council note that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for this work because:
 - (i) going to tender would not deliver a competitive process due to the inability of any other tenderer to provide the services using the existing hardware and control system; and
 - (ii) the existing beacon lights, seasonal star lights and central management system are still in good working order and significant cost would be incurred if they were replaced;
- (C) Council approve entering into a contract with Hub Australasia Pty Ltd for a maximum three year term;
- (D) Council note the revised total contract sum for the extended term is set out in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report; and
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and finalise the terms of the contract with the contractor, provided that the contract is consistent with this resolution.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

S120340.002

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

Item 6.12

Exemption from Tender - ePlanning Phase-3 - Replacement of Planning Xchange and Extension of Pathway

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 replace Technology One's Planning Xchange (ICON) application with a suitable solution that can integrate with the City's existing systems because a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders;
- (B) Council note the reasons why a satisfactory outcome would not be achieved by inviting tenders are:
 - (i) a market scan has confirmed that a limited number of suppliers are able to provide a suitable solution to support planning lodgement, assessment and determination functionality that can integrate with City's existing systems to meet the City's ePlanning needs; and
 - (ii) adopting new systems would result in extensive business disruption associated with a transition of several core business functions to new systems and would result in significant additional costs;
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise, execute, and administer (including exercising options, if appropriate) the contract with the selected provider on terms acceptable to the City;
- (D) Council approve an exemption from tender in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 to enter into a contract with Infor Global Solutions (ANZ) Pty Limited for provision of the Pathway system for five years with two further optional extensions of two years each;
- (E) Council note the reasons why a satisfactory outcome would not be achieved by inviting tenders for provision of the Pathway system are:
 - (i) integration of the ePlanning solution and Pathway is required because Pathway is system of record for properties, names and addresses;
 - (ii) adopting new systems would result in extensive business disruption associated with a transition of several core business functions to new systems and would result in significant additional costs; and
 - (iii) the proposed contract term allows integration between systems to be implemented and embedded but also allows the City to exit the contract at appropriate intervals if market offerings for similar modules change;
- (F) Council note the total contract value for contract term with Infor Global Solutions (ANZ) Pty Limited for the Pathway system is outlined in Confidential Attachment A; and
- (G) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise, execute, and administer (including exercising options, if appropriate) documentation required to contract with Infor Global Solutions (ANZ) Pty Limited for provision of the Pathway system.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

Item 7

Report of the Environment Committee - 17 June 2024

Item 7.1

Confirmation of Minutes

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

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee of Monday 6 May 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 7.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore disclosed a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.6 on the agenda, in that she has a friendship with one of the members of the Design Advisory Residential Subcommittee, Dr Michael Zanardo.

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

Councillor Adam Worling disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.6 on the agenda, in that Abbie Galvin is recommended for appointment on the City's Design Advisory Panel, whom he sits on the Central Sydney Planning Committee with. Councillor Worling considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he has not discussed the proposed reappointments with Abbie, nor has he discussed her current or future position on the Panel.

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 recommends the following:

Item 7.3

Grants and Sponsorship - Environmental Grants

It is resolved that:

(A) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Green Building Grant program as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;

- (B) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST;
- (C) 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
- (D) 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.

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

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The Environment Committee recommends the following:

Item 7.4

Project Scope - Cooper Street and Adelaide Street Reserves, Surry Hills

It is resolved that Council:

(A) endorse the scope of improvements to Cooper Street and Adelaide Street Reserves, Surry Hills as described in the subject report and shown in the Revised Concept Plan as Attachment B to the subject report, for progression to relevant approvals, preparation of construction documentation tender and construction; and

(B) approve the additional funds required to deliver the project as outlined in Confidential Attachment D to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by Councillor Jarrett), and carried unanimously.)

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Item 7.5

Project Scope - Regent Street Reserve, Paddington

The Environment Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 24 June 2024.

Officer's Recommendation

The officer's recommendation to the Environment Committee was as follows -

It is resolved that:

- (A) endorse the scope of improvements to Regent Street Reserve, Paddington as described in the subject report and shown in the Revised Concept Plan as Attachment B to the subject report, for progression to relevant approvals, preparation of construction documentation tender and construction; and
- (B) approve the additional funds required to deliver the project as outlined in Confidential Attachment D to the subject report.

Officer's Report

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 5 on the agenda of the meeting of the Environment Committee on 17 June 2024.

X090896.001

Speaker

Dr Mary Kearney addressed the meeting of the Environment Committee on Item 7.5.

Item 7.6

Public Art Advisory Panel, Design Advisory Panel and Design Advisory Residential Subcommittee - Reappointment of Members

The Environment Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 24 June 2024.

Officer's Recommendation

The officer's recommendation to the Environment Committee was as follows -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council endorse the reappointment of the following Design Advisory Panel members for a further three-year term ending on 30 June 2027: Professor Ken Maher (Chair) AO, Peter Mould (Deputy Chair), Professor Kerry Clare, NSW Government Architect Abbie Galvin, Professor Richard Johnson AO, Emeritus Professor James Weirick, Emily McDaniel, Rachel Neeson and Che Wall;
- (B) Council endorse the reappointment of Professor Ken Maher AO as Chair of the Design Advisory Panel and Peter Mould as Deputy Chair for a further three-year term ending on 30 June 2027;
- (C) Council endorse the revised Design Advisory Panel Terms of Reference as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint any new members to the Design Advisory Panel within the three year term as per the revised Terms of Reference as shown at Attachment B, should the need arise;
- (E) Council endorse the reappointment of the following Design Advisory Panel Residential Subcommittee members for a further three-year term ending on 30 June 2027: Professor Kerry Clare, Dr Libby Gallagher, Dr Michael Zanardo, Matthew Pullinger, Paul Berkemeier, Alexander Koll and Tony Caro;
- (F) Council endorse the reappointment of Professor Kerry Clare as Chair of the Design Advisory Panel Residential Subcommittee for a further three-year term ending on 30 June 2027;
- (G) Council endorse the revised Design Advisory Panel Residential Subcommittee Terms of Reference as shown at Attachment D to the subject report;
- (H) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint any new members to the Design Advisory Panel Residential Subcommittee within the three-year term, as per the revised Terms of Reference as shown in Attachment D, should the need arise;
- (I) Council endorse the reappointment of the following Public Art Advisory Panel members for a further three-year term ending on 30 June 2027: Felicity Fenner (Chair); Anne Loxley (Deputy Chair), Tony Albert; Judith Blackall; Professor Richard Johnson AO; Janet Laurence and Louise Zhang;

(J) Council endorse the reappointment of Felicity Fenner as Chair of the Public Art Advisory Panel and Anne Loxley as Deputy Chair for a further three-year term ending on 30 June 2027;

- (K) Council endorse the revised Public Art Advisory Panel Terms of Reference as shown at Attachment F to the subject report; and
- (L) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint any new members to the Public Art Advisory Panel within the three year term, as per the revised Terms of Reference as shown in Attachment F, should the need arise.

Officer's Report

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 6 on the agenda of the meeting of the Environment Committee on 17 June 2024.

X002289.005

Item 8

Report of the Housing For All Committee - 17 June 2024

Item 8.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Ellsmore, seconded by Councillor Jarrett -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Housing For All Committee of Monday 25 March 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 8.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

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

The Housing For All Committee recommends the following:

Item 8.3

Post Exhibition - Planning Proposal - Build-to-Rent Housing and Co-Living Housing in Central Sydney

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the issues raised during the public exhibition of the Planning Proposal Build-torent housing and Co-living housing in Central Sydney as provided in the Summary of Submissions as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council approve the Planning Proposal Build-to-rent housing and co-living housing in Central Sydney (as amended) as shown in Attachment B to the subject report to be made as a local environmental plan under section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments to the Planning Proposal Build-to-rent housing and co-living housing in Central Sydney (as amended) to correct any minor errors prior to finalisation.

(Note – at the meeting of the Housing For All Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Ellsmore, seconded by Councillor Scott, and carried unanimously.)

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Item 9

Report of the Cultural and Creative Committee - 17 June 2024

Item 9.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Gannon, seconded by Councillor Worling -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee of Monday 6 May 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 9.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

Councillor HY William Chan disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.5 on the agenda, in that he has been involved in the following organisations: University of Sydney as a currently employed sessional academic in the School of Architecture, Design and Planning 2024; SXSW Sydney as a current conference speaker in 2023 and 2024, and a current industry and academic advisor 2024; Vivid Sydney as a Vivid Ideas speaker in 2023; Remix Summit Sydney as a speaker in 2022; and Soul of Chinatown as a volunteer in 2022.

Councillor Chan considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because his involvement in the above organisations has been separate to the organisations' grant applications and he was not aware of their grant applications.

Councillor (Waskam) Emelda Davis disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.5 on the agenda, in that she has known and worked with people from the following organisations:

- Jodie Ann Choolburra from Brolga Dance Academy
- Radio Skid Row (Where am I?)
- Soul of Chinatown Incorporated (The Playground)
- The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (NSW) as auspice for the Wayside Chape Foundation (Wayside Creates)
- Moogahlin Performing Arts Incorporated (Yellamundie Development Festival A PROGRAM OF First Peoples Story telling)
- National centre of Indigenous Excellence Limited (NAIDOC)
- Destination NSW (Vivid Sydney- Music HQ)

Councillor Davis considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because of her past grass roots community work and within the organisation of the Australian South Sea Islander Port Jackson (ASSIPJ), which she is the Chair. As Chair of ASSIPJ and Councillor on the City of Sydney Council, she had no knowledge of these organisations applying for the City of Sydney grants, nor did she provide any advice to these organisations.

Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore disclosed a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.5 on the agenda in that a grant recipient who is not recommended for funding – the Trustee for the Maquirang Family Trust – is a family friend.

Councillor Ellsmore stated that she will not be voting on this matter.

Councillor Linda Scott made the following disclosures:

a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.3 on the agenda, in that she is
Australian Local Government Association's (ALGA) representative on the Cultural Minister's
meeting, representing local governments on this policy forum.

Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she applies her judgement to the decisions as a councillor for the City of Sydney.

a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.5 on the agenda, in that she has met
with and knows a large number of the recommended successful and unsuccessful applicants,
including Directors of Qtopia, Ian Roberts, and James Jay Moody. None have discussed their
applications for Council grants with her.

Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she applies her judgement to the decisions as a Councillor for the City of Sydney.

Councillor Adam Worling disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.5 on the agenda, in that Griffin Theatre Co, Hayes Theatre Co and Inner City Legal Centre are all recommended for funding as part of the Creative Grants Program. As a keen theatregoer, and in large part due to his partner's work as a talent agent, Councillor Worling has attended shows at both Griffin Theatre and Hayes Theatre as a guest. As a Surry Hills local and during his work as an elected Councillor, Councillor Worling has met with the Directors of the Inner City Legal Centre and continues to stay abreast of the work they do in the Darlinghurst community.

Councillor Worling considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he has not discussed this funding or grant with anyone from Griffin Theatre Co, Hayes Theatre Co or Inner City Legal Centre, and this will not have an affect or influence his ability to vote on the recommendation.

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

The Cultural and Creative Committee recommends the following:

Item 9.3

Public Exhibition - Cultural Strategy 2025-2035

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the finalisation of the Creative City Cultural Policy and Action Plan 2014-2024, noting 191 actions are completed, 10 actions are in progress and 7 actions will not be implemented as outlined in Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note ten years of significant achievements under the guidance of the Creative City Cultural Policy and Action Plan 2014-2024, as outlined in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council approve for public exhibition the draft Cultural Strategy 2025-2035 as shown at Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) Council note that the Cultural Strategy 2025-2035, including any recommended changes, will be reported to Council for adoption following the exhibition period;
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor editorial amendments for clarity or correction of drafting errors prior to the exhibition of the draft Cultural Strategy 2025-2035; and
- (F) Council note the Engagement Report summarising consultation for the development of the draft Cultural Strategy 2025-2035, as shown at Attachment D to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Gannon, seconded by Councillor Scott and carried unanimously.)

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Speakers

Shaun Parker (Artistic Director of Shaun Parker & Company), H Morgan-Harris (Director of Tortuga Studios) and Justine Shih Pearson (CEO of PACT Centre for Emerging Artists) addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee on Item 9.3.

The Cultural and Creative Committee recommends the following:

Item 9.4

Bring Back Joy - Outcomes of Community Consultation

The Cultural and Creative Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 24 June 2024.

Officer's Recommendation

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

It is resolved that:

- (A) receive and note the Engagement Report The 'Joy' Sculpture as outlined in Attachment B to the subject report; and
- (B) note that, given the recent feedback from the community, the Chief Executive Officer will investigate feasibility and cost of options to reinstate a replica of 'Joy' by artist Loui May (nee Fraser) on the corner of Stanley and Yurong Streets, Darlinghurst and report back to Council via the CEO update.

Officer's Report

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 4 on the agenda of the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee on 17 June 2024.

Speakers

Julie Bates AO and Wendy Littlewood addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee on Item 9.4.

X002646.001

The Cultural and Creative Committee recommends the following:

Item 9.5

Grants and Sponsorship - Creative Grants

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and value in kind recommendations for the Creative Grant 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 Creative Grant program as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council approve the cash and value in kind recommendations for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship program as shown at Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash grant or value-inkind for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship program as shown at 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.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Gannon, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried on the following show of hands –

- Ayes (7) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chan, Gannon, Kok, Scott, Weldon and Worling
- Noes (1) Councillor Jarrett*.

Carried.

*Note – Councillor Jarrett abstained from voting on this matter. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 10.4 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Councillor Jarrett is taken to have voted against the motion.)

S117676

Speaker

Councillor Michael Mijatovic (Fairfield City Council) addressed the meeting of the Cultural and Creative Committee on Item 9.5.

Item 10

Report of the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee - 17 June 2024

Item 10.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Davis, seconded by Councillor Kok -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee of Monday 6 May 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 10.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Clover Moore, disclosed a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. is recommended for an Innovation and Ideas grant, shown at Attachment C to the Committee report.

The Lord Mayor has a close association with Jess Miller as she is a former Councillor and Clover Moore Independent Team (CMIT) candidate and is involved with Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. The Lord Mayor stated that she would not be voting on this matter.

Councillor Robert Kok disclosed a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. is recommended for an Innovation and Ideas grant, shown at Attachment C to the Committee report.

Councillor Kok has a close association with Jess Miller as she is a former Councillor and CMIT candidate and is involved with Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. Councillor Kok stated that he would not be voting on this matter.

Councillor Adam Worling made the following disclosures:

a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda, in that Blaq
Aboriginal Corporation is recommended for funding as part of the Community Services Grant
Program, and the Food Support Grant Program – Summer Round – 2024/25. During his time
as an elected Councillor, Councillor Worling has met a number of times with the Directors of
the Blaq Aboriginal Corporation and continues to stay abreast of the work they do in the
community, particularly with members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

Councillor Worling considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he has not discussed this funding or grant with anyone from Blaq Aboriginal Corporation, and this will not have an affect or influence his ability to vote on the recommendation.

a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda, in that the Inner City Legal Centre is recommended for funding as part of the Community Services Grant Program. As a Surry Hills local and during his work as an elected Councillor, Councillor Worling has met with the Directors of the Inner City Legal Centre and continues to stay abreast of the work they do in the Darlinghurst and Kings Cross community, particularly with members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

Councillor Worling considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he has not discussed this funding or grant with anyone from the Inner City Legal Centre, and this will not have an affect or influence his ability to vote on the recommendation.

 a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that Australian Fashion Council Ltd is recommended for funding as part of the Business Sector Support Grant Program – Summer Round – 2024/25. Councillor Worling has worked as a fashion publicist for 30 years which has meant there has been a lot of crossover with his clients and the Australian Fashion Council Ltd.

Councillor Worling considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he had no prior knowledge about the grant application or its success until reading the committee papers, and he has not discussed the application or grant with anyone at Australian Fashion Council Ltd.

 a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. is recommended for an Innovation and Ideas grant, shown at Attachment C to the Committee report.

Councillor Worling has a close association with Jess Miller as she is a former Councillor and CMIT candidate and is involved with Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. Councillor Worling stated that he would not be voting on this matter.

Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda, in that:

- she was formerly a board member for Inner Sydney Voice, who is an applicant for the Community Services grant. Councillor Ellsmore has not discussed this item with them; and
- she has previously been employed by an Aboriginal consultancy firm engaged by the NSW Government to review homelessness services. Several of the applicants for the Inner City Homelessness Services grants were mentioned in the report. Councillor Ellsmore has not discussed this item with any of the applicants.

Councillor Ellsmore 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 the grants with the applicants.

Councillor HY William Chan made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda, in that he has been involved with the following organisations:
 - University of Sydney as a currently employed sessional academic in the School of Architecture, Design and Planning 2024; and
 - University of Technology Sydney (UTS) as a guest lecturer in 2022.

Councillor Chan considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because his involvement in the above organisations has been separate to the organisations' grant applications and he was not aware of their grant applications.

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda in that he has been involved with the following organisations:
 - University of Sydney as a currently employed sessional academic in the School of Architecture, Design and Planning 2024;
 - University of Technology Sydney (UTS) as a guest lecturer in 2022;
 - University of New South Wales (UNSW Sydney) as a guest lecturer in 2023;
 - Social Enterprise Council of NSW & ACT (SECNA) Ltd in its activities in 2021; and
 - Spark Festival Ltd as a speaker in 2020 and 2021.

Councillor Chan considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because his involvement in the above organisations has been separate to the organisations' grant applications and he was not aware of their grant applications.

 a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. is recommended for an Innovation and Ideas grant, shown at Attachment C to the Committee report.

Councillor Chan has a close association with Jess Miller as she is a former Councillor and CMIT candidate and is involved with Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. Councillor Chan stated that he would not be voting on this matter.

Councillor (Waskam) Emelda Davis made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda (Food Support Grants), in that she has known and worked with people who still work within the following organisations through her community work within her scope as chairperson for Australian South Sea Islanders Port Jackson (ASSIPJ):
 - Aboriginal Medical Service Co-operative Limited;
 - Blag Aboriginal Corporation;
 - Food Ladder; and
 - Glebe Youth Services.

Councillor Davis considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because ASSIPJ has not engaged with these organisations since 2021.

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda, in that she has known and worked with people who still work within the following organisations through her community work within her scope ad chairperson for Australian South Sea Islanders Port Jackson (ASSIPJ):
 - Blaq Aboriginal Corporation;
 - Counterpoint Community Services;
 - Glebe Youth Services:
 - Kinchella Boys Home Aboriginal Corporation;
 - Redfern Legal Centre Ltd;
 - Scarred Tree Indigenous Ministries (Larissa Minniecon);
 - The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (NSW);
 - The University of Sydney; and
 - University of Technology Sydney

Councillor Davis considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because ASSIPJ has not engaged with these organisations since 2021.

 a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Collaboration Fund), in that she has known and worked with people who still work within the Mudgin-gal Aboriginal Corporation organisations through her community work as chairperson for Australian South Sea Islanders Port Jackson (ASSIPJ).

Councillor Davis considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because ASSIPJ has not engaged with these organisations since 2021.

• a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that she has known and worked with people from Pyrmont-Ultimo Chamber of Commerce and Industry Inc through her community work as chairperson for Australian South Sea Islanders Port Jackson (ASSIPJ).

Councillor Davis considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because ASSIPJ has not engaged with these organisations since 2021.

 a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. is recommended for an Innovation and Ideas grant, shown at Attachment C to the Committee report.

Councillor Davis has a close association with Jess Miller as she is a former Councillor and CMIT candidate and is involved with Finding Infinity Pty Ltd. Councillor Davis stated that she would not be voting on this matter.

Councillor Shauna Jarrett disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.6 on the agenda, in that through her business, she is a member of the CBD Sydney Chamber of Commerce.

Councillor Jarrett considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she is only a member like many other businesses.

Councillor Linda Scott made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.3 on the agenda, in that she, along
 with her husband, owns a house with a mortgage that is adjacent to one of the zones
 considered. She is also the Trustee of a Trust that owns a property for the benefit of a family
 member with a disability that is adjacent to one of the zones considered.
 - Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she applies her judgement to the decisions as a Councillor for the City of Sydney.
- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10.4 on the agenda, in that she has met
 with and knows a large number of the recommended successful and unsuccessful applicants,
 including Directors of the Peace Prize (Joy Kyriacou). None have discussed their applications
 for Council grants with Councillor Scott.

Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she applies her judgement to the decisions as a Councillor for the City of Sydney.

• a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Items 10.5 and 10.6 on the agenda, in that Councillor Scott has met with and knows a large number of the recommended successful and unsuccessful applicants. None have discussed their applications for Council grants with her.

Councillor Scott considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she applies her judgement to the decisions as a councillor for the City of Sydney.

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

Item 10.3

Public Exhibition - Review of Outdoor Alcohol Restrictions

The Resilient Communities and Economy Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 24 June 2024.

Officer's Recommendation

The officer's recommendation to the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee was as follows –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the 30-day public exhibition of the list of proposed alcohol-free zones and alcohol-prohibited areas on City streets and public spaces for a four year period as outlined in Attachment B to the subject report; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - write to the NSW Office of Local Government requesting the 2009 Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol-free zones be revised to include provision for local governments to establish alcohol-free zones as timed sites where alcohol consumption is permissible within designated times as appropriate;
 - (ii) advocate to NSW Health and Homes NSW to work with social housing residents to develop and implement harm minimisation measures that improve the community's health and safety;
 - (iii) write to Homes NSW to take on responsibility and management of outdoor alcohol restrictions on their own land:
 - (iv) write to the Commissioner of the NSW Police Force to request NSW Police provide data on the use of enforcement under outdoor alcohol restrictions to inform the development and implementation of harm minimisation approaches to alcohol management within the community;
 - (v) write to NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics to notify them of those locations where outdoor alcohol restrictions have been removed and request they develop a methodology to appropriately assess the outcomes arising from those removals; and
 - (vi) continue to work with community legal centres, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisations, community groups, social housing residents, local business and NSW Government agencies to determine appropriate strategies for managing alcohol consumption in the public domain.

Officer's Report

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 3 on the agenda of the meeting of the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee on 17 June 2024.

X101671

Speaker

Andrew Woodhouse addressed the meeting of the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee on Item 10.3.

The Resilient Communities and Economy Committee recommends the following:

Item 10.4

Grants and Sponsorship - Social Grants

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and value-in-kind recommendations for the Community Services Grant program as shown at Attachment A to the subject report:
- (B) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash or value-in-kind grant for the Community Services Grant program as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council approve First Nations Response Ltd as the recipient of a City's Community Services Grant 2022/23 for the final year of their project (2024/25);
- (D) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Community Services Grant: Inner City Homelessness Services program as shown at Attachment C to the subject report;
- (E) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Food Support Grant program as shown at Attachment D to the subject report;
- (F) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash grant or value-in-kind for the Food Support Grant program as shown at Attachment E to the subject report;
- (G) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Collaboration Fund program as shown at Attachment F to the subject report;
- (H) Council approve a cash grant of \$100,000 per year for three years to the Inner City Legal Centre;
- (I) Council approve a cash grant of \$50,000 per year for three years to the University of Sydney as auspice for Animals in Need;
- (J) Council approve a cash grant of \$50,000 to Larissa Minneconn as auspice for Scarred Tree Indigenous Missionaries;
- (K) Council approve a cash grant to Glebe Youth Service Inc of \$349,448 in year one, \$356,500 in year two and \$363,566 in year three;
- (L) Council approve a cash grant of \$208,000 and \$53,000 value in kind to Access Sydney Community Transport Ltd;
- (M) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST;

(N) 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

(O) 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.

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

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Speakers

Larissa Minneconn (Scarred Tree Indigenous Ministries) and Katie Green (Inner City Legal Centre) addressed the meeting of the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee on Item 10.4.

The Resilient Communities and Economy Committee recommends the following:

Item 10.5

Grants and Sponsorship - Accommodation Grants

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note the continuation of the current Accommodation Grant leases and licences for the 70 lease holders that have satisfactorily completed their annual performance review for the 2023 calendar year and are continuing in the Program;

- (B) Council note that Innovillage Pty Ltd (trading as Greenhouse) located at the Business Innovation Space, 180 George Street, Sydney were not required to complete an annual performance review as it had not been in the Program for a full 12 months and is continuing in the Program;
- (C) Council approve a lease for SDN Children's Services at 60 Pine Street Chippendale from 1 January 2025 to 30 June 2029 on the following rental subsidy:

Year	Market Rental Value	Grant Subsidy (Rounded)	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1 1 January 2025 - 31 December 2025	\$153,000	100%	\$153,000	\$0
Year 2 1 January 2026 - 31 December 2026	\$157,590	98%	\$154,438	\$3,152
Year 3 1 January 2027 - 31 December 2027	\$162,317	96%	\$155,824	\$6,493
Year 4 1 January 2028 - 31 December 2028	\$167,187	94%	\$157,156	\$10,031
Year 5 1 January 2029 - 30 June 2029	\$86,101	92%	\$79,213	\$6,888

(D) Council approve an ad-hoc grant to Larissa Minniecon representing Scarred Trees Ministries to licence Meeting Room 1 and Meeting Room 2 and Office 1 (including adjoining reception area), Ground Floor, Glebe Town Hall, 160 St John's Road, Glebe for two years from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026 in accordance with section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993 on the following rental subsidy which incorporates outgoings and utilities:

Year	Market Rental Value	Grant Subsidy (Rounded)	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025	\$73,224	100%	\$73,224	\$0
Year 2 1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026	\$75,421	100%	\$75,421	\$0

(E) Council approve a lease renewal for Weave Youth & Community Services Ltd located at Space 1 and 2, Waterloo Town Hall, 770 Elizabeth Street, Waterloo for five years from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2029 on the following subsidy:

Year	Market Rental Value	Grant Subsidy (Rounded)	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025	\$25,200	80%	\$20,160	\$5,040
Year 2 1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026	\$25,956	80%	\$20,765	\$5,191
Year 3 1 July 2026 - 30 June 2027	\$26,735	80%	\$21,388	\$5,347
Year 4 1 July 2027 - 30 June 2028	\$27,537	80%	\$22,029	\$5,508

		Grant Subsidy (Rounded)	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 5	\$28,363	80%	\$22,690	\$5,673
1 July 2028 - 30 June 2029				

(F) Council approve a lease renewal for Hayes Theatre Co at Reginald Murphy Hall, Reginald Murphy Centre at 19 Greenknowe Street Elizabeth Bay, for five years from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2029, on the following subsidy:

Year	Market Rental Value	Grant Subsidy (Rounded)	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025	\$95,000	75%	\$71,250	\$23,750
Year 2 1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026	\$97,850	75%	\$73,387	\$24,463
Year 3 1 July 2026 - 30 June 2027	\$100,786	75%	\$75,590	\$25,196
Year 4 1 July 2027 - 30 June 2028	\$103,809	75%	\$77,857	\$25,952
Year 5 1 July 2028 - 30 June 2029	\$106,923	75%	\$80,193	\$26,730

(G) Council approve a lease renewal for 107 Projects Incorporated at Joynton Avenue Creative Centre, 3 Joynton Avenue, Zetland for two years from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2026 on the following subsidy:

Year	Market Rental Value	Grant Subsidy (Rounded)	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025	\$500,000	100%	\$500,000	\$0
Year 2 1 July 2025 - 30 June 2026	\$515,000	100%	\$515,000	\$0

(H) Council approve the new subsidy and grant level for Darlinghurst Theatre Company Ltd at The Eternity Playhouse, 39 Burton Street, Darlinghurst for its current five year lease, for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 on the following rental subsidy:

Year		Grant Subsidy (Rounded)	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1	\$208,669	100%	\$208,669	\$0
1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025				

- (I) Council note that Darlinghurst Theatre Company has provided notice of their intention to vacate Suite 3.02 and Suite 3.03 101-111 William Street, Darlinghurst and the property will be offered by an expression of interest application through the Accommodation Grants Program;
- (J) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the lease agreement with: SDN Children's Services at 60 Pine Street Chippendale; Weave Youth & Community Services Ltd. located at Space 1 & 2, 770 Elizabeth Street, Waterloo; Hayes Theatre Co for Reginald Murphy Hall, Reginald Murphy Centre at 19 Greenknowe Street Elizabeth Bay; 107 Projects Incorporated at Joynton Avenue Creative Centre, 3 Joynton Avenue, Zetland; Darlinghurst Theatre Company Ltd for The Eternity Playhouse, 39 Burton Street, Darlinghurst; and the licence agreement to Larissa Minniecon representing Scarred Trees Ministries to licence Meeting Room 1 and Meeting Room 2 and Office 1 (including adjoining reception area), Ground Floor, Glebe Town Hall, 160 St John's Road, Glebe on terms consistent with this resolution and in accordance with the Grants and Sponsorship Policy; and
- (K) 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 recipients will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

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

Item 10.6

Grants and Sponsorship - Economic Grants

The Resilient Communities and Economy Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 24 June 2024.

Officer's Recommendation

The officer's recommendation to the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee was as follows –

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Business Sector Support Grant 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-inkind for the Business Sector Support Grant program as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council approve the cash and value in kind recommendations for the Innovation and Ideas Grant program as shown at Attachment C to the subject report;
- (D) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash grant or value-inkind for the Innovation and Ideas Grant program as shown at 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.

Officer's Report

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 6 on the agenda of the meeting of the Resilient Communities and Economy Committee on 17 June 2024.

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Item 11

Report of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee - 17 June 2024

Item 11.1

Confirmation of Minutes

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

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee of Monday 6 May 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 11.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Shauna Jarrett disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 11.6 on the agenda, in that she has a personal and professional relationship with Rob Stokes. Councillor Jarrett considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he is just a professional colleague and friend.

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

The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommends the following:

Item 11.3

Post Exhibition - A City for Walking Strategy and Action Plan - Continuing the Vision

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the submissions and feedback received through the public exhibition period as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council adopt A City for Walking Strategy and Action Plan Continuing the Vision incorporating amendments following the public exhibition process, as shown at Attachment C to the subject report; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments to A City for Walking Strategy and Action Plan Continuing the Vision in order to correct any minor drafting errors and finalise design, artwork and accessible formats for publication.

(Note – at the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Chan, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

X092554

Speakers

Gisele Mesnage, Dr Megan Sharkey (BetterStreets) and Regina Haertsch (WalkSydney Inc) addressed the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee on Item 11.3.

The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommends the following:

Item 11.4

Public Exhibition - Planning Proposal - 242-258 Young Street, Waterloo - Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2012 Amendment and Draft Design Guide

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve Planning Proposal 242-258 Young Street, Waterloo, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report, to be submitted to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces with a request for Gateway Determination;
- (B) Council approve Planning Proposal 242-258 Young Street, Waterloo, as 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 Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to exercise the delegation of all the functions under section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make the local environmental plan and to put into effect Planning Proposal 242-258 Young Street, Waterloo;
- (D) Council approve the draft Design Guide 242-258 Young Street, Waterloo, as shown at Attachment B to the subject report, for public exhibition concurrent with the Planning Proposal;
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make any variations to Planning Proposal 242-258 Young Street, Waterloo, to correct any drafting errors or to ensure consistency with the Gateway Determination;
- (F) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make any variations to the draft Design Guide 242-258 Young Street, Waterloo, to correct any drafting errors or ensure it is consistent with the Planning Proposal following the Gateway Determination; and
- (G) Council note the Chief Executive Officer will prepare a draft planning agreement in accordance with the letter of offer dated 2 May 2024, shown at Attachment C to the subject report, and the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, to be exhibited in accordance with the Act.

(Note – at the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Chan, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried on the following show of hands –

- Ayes (9) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chan, Davis, Gannon, Jarrett, Kok, Scott, Weldon and Worling
- Noes (1) Councillor Ellsmore*.

Carried.

*Note – Councillor Ellsmore abstained from voting on this matter. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 10.4 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Councillor Ellsmore is taken to have voted against the motion.)

X093892

Speakers

Richard Huynh (Sustainable Development Group Limited) and Ben Craig (Ethos Urban) addressed the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee on Item 11.4.

The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommends the following:

Item 11.5

Public Exhibition - Planning Proposal - 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills - Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2012 and Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 Amendments

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve Planning Proposal 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report, to be submitted to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces with a request for Gateway Determination;
- (B) Council approve Planning Proposal 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, as 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 Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to exercise the delegation of all the functions under section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to make the local environmental plan and to put into effect Planning Proposal 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills;
- (D) Council approve the Draft Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, shown at Attachment B to the subject report for public authority consultation and public exhibition concurrent with the Planning Proposal;
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make any variations to Planning Proposal 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, to correct any drafting errors or to ensure consistency with the Gateway Determination; and
- (F) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make any variations to Draft Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, to correct any drafting errors or ensure it is consistent with the Planning Proposal following the Gateway Determination.

(Note – at the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Chan, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

X101286

Speaker

Juliet Wittenoom Louw (Ethos Urban) addressed the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee on Item 11.5.

The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommends the following:

Item 11.6

Local Planning Panel - Appointment of Members

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) endorse the appointment of Robert Stokes as Chair of the City of Sydney Local Planning Panel for a three-year period commencing 1 July 2024;
- (B) endorse the appointment of Jan Murrell as Alternate Chair of the City of Sydney Local Planning Panel until 28 February 2027;
- (C) endorse the appointment of Graham Brown as Alternate Chair of the City of Sydney Local Planning Panel for a three year period commencing 1 July 2024;
- (D) endorse the appointments of four additional expert members from the Minister's list of eligible expert members to the City of Sydney Local Planning Panel, being Elizabeth Kinkade, Kara Krason, Elisabeth Peet and Louise Sureda for a period of three years from the date of appointment;
- (E) endorse the appointment of one additional community representative to the City of Sydney Local Planning Panel, being David Green (subject to probity checks) for a period of three years from the date of appointment; and
- (F) endorse the use of the appointed expert members for the independent role on Council's Review of Determinations Panel, subject to their acceptance of the invitation.

(Note – at the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Chan, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried on the following show of hands –

- Aye (8) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Chan, Davis, Gannon, Jarrett, Kok, Scott and Worling
- Noes (2) Councillors Ellsmore and Weldon*.

Carried.

*Note – Councillor Weldon abstained from voting on this matter. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 10.4 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Councillor Weldon is taken to have voted against the motion.)

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The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommends the following:

Item 11.7

Fire Safety Reports

It is resolved that:

(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 H of the subject report;
- (C) note the contents of Attachment B and not exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 359-361 Pitt Street, Sydney at this time;
- (D) note the contents of Attachment C and not exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 156-160 Goulburn Street, Surry Hills at this time;
- (E) note the contents of Attachment D and not exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 405-411 Sussex Street, Haymarket at this time;
- (F) note the contents of Attachment E and exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 301 Kent Street, Sydney;
- (G) note the contents of Attachment F and exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 782 Bourke Road, Waterloo;
- (H) note the contents of Attachment G and not exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 252 Botany Road Alexandria at this time; and
- (I) note the contents of Attachment H and exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 33-35A York Street, Sydney.

(Note – at the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Chan, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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Item 12

Questions on Notice

1. NSW Government Kerbside Charging Grant Program – Round 1 Outcome

By Councillor Jarrett

In 2023, the NSW Government announced an investment of \$10 million, with \$3 million to a Kerbside Charging Grant program to support local governments and Charge Point Operators (CPOs) to install electric vehicle (EV) kerbside chargers across metropolitan NSW.

The grant process encouraged Charging Point Operators (CPOs) to apply, but only proposals with support from the relevant Council were eligible.

The City received and assessed several proposals and determined to support eight proposed pole-based chargers.

Question

- 1. How many proposals from Charging Point Operators did the City receive and assess?
- 2. Why were Councillors not given a breakdown of the assessment criteria, how the proposal did/did not meet the criteria and the outcome of each proposal?
- 3. Can Councillors be given the above-mentioned breakdown of each proposal?
- 4. According to the Daily Telegraph article 'Hundreds of new kerbside chargers coming. Here's where you will be able to power up your EV', the Inner West Council is receiving 136 new chargers, with Randwick and Waverley receiving 83 and 70 respectively. Given the City's position as the leading Council in Australia, why are we only proceeding with eight proposals when other, smaller Councils, are supporting hundreds of proposals?
- 5. Has the City considered the impacts only approving such a small number of new EV chargers will have on our sustainability targets?
- 6. If so, can Councillors receive this information?
- 7. If not, why not?

X086666

2. Harry Noble Reserve Update

By Councillor Jarrett

The City's website details that 'the City is preparing a detailed design for the upgrade of this park and playground. Works are expected to start in mid-2024 and take approximately six months to complete.'

Question

- 1. It is now mid-2024, has the City prepared the necessary design for the upgrade of the Harry Noble Reserve?
- 2. If not, why not?
- 3. If so, when is the City going to put the design and recommendation to Council?
- 4. What is the new expected timeframe for the starting time of the works?

X086666

3. Asbestos in the City of Sydney

By Councillor Scott

Question

- 1. According to the City's website (14 June 2024) the following parks still have asbestos clean-up underway: Belmore Park (west side), Blackwattle Bay Park, Cook + Phillip Park, Harold Park, Observatory Hill Park, Wentworth Park, and Victoria Park. What is the estimated time frame for the complete removal of asbestos in each of these parks?
- 2. According to the City's website (14 June 2024) the following parks have asbestos removal plan finalised or in development: Giba Park, John Street Reserve, Minogue Reserve, Munn Reserve and Stewart Street Reserve. What is the estimated time frame for the complete removal of asbestos in each of these parks?
- 3. How much contract work time has it taken for contractors to clear asbestos in affected parks since February 2024? What is the number of contractors that have been assigned to help with the removal of asbestos since February 2024? Broken down by month, what is the total cost of the City funded asbestos removal?
- 4. Will the Council provide more frequent asbestos testing considering the scale of the recent asbestos crisis?
- 5. What is the current provision we have made for the removal process of asbestos found in City of Sydney parks and garden beds?
- 6. What financial year/s has this provision been made in the City's budget?
- 7. As of 18 June 2024, how much money has the City spent in the remediation process of asbestos removal in parks?

8. As of 18 June 2024, how much money has the City spent in the remediation process of asbestos removal in garden beds?

- 9. As of 18 June 2024, what has been the most expensive park for asbestos removal? How much was spent on this park?
- 10. What is the total provision for the cost of asbestos clean up, from recycled mulch? Over how many years?
- 11. What is the date that all asbestos laid by City contractors in our parks and garden beds will be removed in the City?
- 12. What is the City of Sydney's current risk from the extended exposure period, considering the first confirmed exposure was on 12 February 2024?
- 13. What is the public risk from the extended exposure period, considering the first confirmed exposure was on 12 February 2024?
- 14. Has the City considered these risks, and how have they been mitigated? Has the City sought external and independent advice on these risks, and how to mitigate them? If so, who, when and at what cost?
- 15. How will the City continue to consider and mitigate these risks post asbestos clean up?
- 16. Are there any penalties for the Council that has been imposed, or threatened to be imposed, by regulators?
- 17. We understand the City has established the Asbestos Incident Management Team. How many members of staff are in this team? What is the cost of the staff time dedicated to this?
- 18. Has the City been offered any assistance by any Government or other organisations to assist in the clean-up of the asbestos found in the City of Sydney parks and garden beds? If yes, have these offers been accepted? If no, why have these offers been declined?
- 19. Does the City have an asbestos exposure register? If no, why not?
- 20. If the City does not have an asbestos exposure register, will it create one for members of the community who have been exposed to asbestos for a long period of time?

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4. Snap Send Solve Reporting Process

By Councillor Scott

Question

The City of Sydney currently use the Snap Send Solve app, for residents to report issues to Council.

1. How are issues classified as complete when an issue is reported in Snap Send Solve? How is this audited?

2. What are the three main issues reported by City of Sydney residents through the Snap Send Solve app?

- 3. Broken down by month, what is the average time of resolution? What is the longest outstanding issue?
- 4. Broken down by month, how many reports have been made for city of Sydney issues via 'Snap Send Solve' over the past 12 months?
- 5. Broken down by month, of these reports, how many have been completed and incomplete?
- 6. Broken down by month, how many reports have been made in the past 12 months regarding missed waste collection?
- 7. Broken down by month, of these reports, how many have been solved?
- 8. Broken down by month, of these reports, how many have been left unattended?
- 9. Please detail the process of prioritisation for issues reported in Snap Send Solve?
- 10. What is the cost for the City of Sydney using Snap Send Solve as a reporting mechanism?
- 11. Can all forms of rubbish dumping be selected in the Snap Send Solve reporting mechanism? If no, why not?
- 12. Can all bins (red, yellow and green) be selected as a 'missed collection service' in Snap Send Solve? If no, why not?

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5. Soft Plastic Recycling in the City of Sydney

By Councillor Scott

Question

Following the collapse of Australia's largest soft plastic recycling program in 2022, City of Sydney residents do not have opportunity to recycle soft plastics. The City's website currently outlines soft plastics such as plastic bags, bread bags, wrappers, chip packets or bubble wrap must go in the red bin.

In early 2024, five Melbourne supermarkets across 12 suburbs returned to recycling soft plastics through a trail with one yellow bin placed outside of their storefront (https://wastemanagementreview.com.au/soft-plastics-recycling-trial-starts-in-12-melbourne-suburbs/).

In light of this:

- 1. What does the process for recycling soft plastics look like in the City of Sydney?
- 2. Are there any cost-free ways for residents to recycle their soft plastics? If yes, please outline the cost-free ways.

3. Does the City have any plans to bring back soft plastic recycling? If yes, what are these plans and their corresponding timeframes?

4. What is the process of setting up a soft-plastics recycling zone in the City?

X086668

6. City of Sydney Aquatic Centre Funding

By Councillor Scott

Question

- 1. What are the current entry prices for a City of Sydney resident at City owned aquatic centres?
- 2. Has this cost increased over the last five years?
- 3. If yes, by how much? Please provide a breakdown year by year of the increases, if any.
- 4. Have the City increased fees for senior citizens entering City owned aquatic centres over the past five years?
- 5. If yes, by how much?
- 6. Is there a difference in cost for ratepayers and non-ratepayers of the City of Sydney?

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7. FOGO Food Recycling in the City of Sydney

By Councillor Scott

Question

- 1. How many residents currently have FOGO?
- 2. What is the current cost of the City's FOGO service?
- 3. What is the cost for the City of Sydney to have FOGO across all residential properties?
- 4. What is the estimated timeframe for which the food scraps recycling service will be available for all City of Sydney residents?
- 5. What are the restricted areas for the food scraps recycling service within the City of Sydney?
- 6. What are the main restrictions to ensuring the FOGO roll out is the same as the Inner West?

X086668

8. City of Sydney Plaque Removal

By Councillor Scott

Question

1. What is the City's annual expenditure or budget for the removal of plaques, broken down by financial year since 2004?

- 2. Has this cost increased over the last five years?
- 3. If yes, by how much? Please provide a breakdown year by year of the increases, if any.
- 4. What is the process of selection for the removal of a plaque. Please detail the selection and removal process.
- 5. Please list, broken down by year, since 2004 how many City plaques have been removed. Please detail why each was removed, the original wording of the plaque, the location and cost.
- 6. Has there been an increase in removal over the last five years?
- 7. If yes, by how much? Please provide a breakdown year by year of the increases, if any.
- 8. Has the City ever removed an existing plaque for the installation of another?
- 9. If yes, please detail each instance, outlining why it was replaced, the old and new wording, location, and the cost of re-installation for each instance.

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Item 13

Supplementary Answers to Previous Questions

Supplementary Answers to Questions on Notice are as follows:

Question on Notice - Council 13 May 2024

9. Solar Panels and Battery Infrastructure in Council-Owned Facilities

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- 1. Which Council-owned community venues, including town halls and community centres, have solar panels installed? (Please list)
- 2. Which Council-owned community venues, including town halls and community centres, have batteries or other sustainability infrastructure installed? (Please list)
- 3. Which Council-owned landmark venues have solar panels installed? (Please list)
- 4. Which Council-owned landmark venues have batteries or other sustainability infrastructure installed? (Please list)
- 5. Which other Council-owned buildings solar panels installed? (Please list)
- 6. Which other Council-owned buildings have batteries or other sustainability infrastructure installed? (Please list)
- 7. Which Council owned buildings are due for energy upgrades to install solar systems and/or solar infrastructure in the next three years? (Please list)

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

The City of Sydney's carbon emissions have dropped 74.5 per cent since our 2005/06 baseline. The City has switched to 100 per cent renewable electricity from July 2020.

The City of Sydney has installed 7,081 solar panels across 45 City owned buildings, with just over two megawatts (MW) in total. We installed a 500kWh Tesla battery at our depot in Alexandria.

We report on our progress in the **Green Reports** that are published annually.

Council Owned Buildings with Solar PV installed

Site	Street Address
277-279 Bourke St	277-279 Bourke St
343 George St	343 George St
Abraham Mott Hall	2 Watson Rd
Alexandria Child Care Centre	41 Henderson Rd
Alexandria Park - Toilets & Changeroom	10 Buckland St
Alexandria Town Hall	73 Garden St
Andrew Boy Charlton Pool	1C Mrs Macquarie's Rd
Coronation Recreation Centre and Tennis Courts	1007 Chalmers St
Depot - Bourke St (Plunkett St)	75 Bourke St
Depot-Alexandria Canal	67 Bourke Rd
Depot-Nursery	38 Barwon Park Rd
East Sydney Community and Arts Centre (ESCAC) - Formerly known as Heffron Hall	225-245 Palmer Street OR 30/40 Burton St
Erskineville Oval Grandstand	149 Mitchell Rd
Erskineville Town Hall	104 Erskineville Rd
Eternity Playhouse (Tabernacle)	39 Burton St
Events Depot	34-42 Bourke Road
Glebe Town Hall	160 St Johns Rd
Gunyama Park Pool	17 Zetland Avenue
Huntley Street Early Learning Centre	4H Huntley Street
Joynton Ave - Waranara Child Care	3 Joynton Ave
Joynton Ave - West Land Holding ('Hospital Site') -GIC Building	3 Joynton Ave
Juanita Nielsen	31 Nicholson St
King George V Recreation Centre	15 Cumberland St
King St Retail Holding - Harry Burland Hall	218-222 King St
Library Link and Customer Service Green Square	100 Joynton Ave

Site	Street Address
Paddington Town Hall	247 Oxford St
Perry Park Recreation Centre	1B Maddox Street
Pine Street Creative Arts Centre	62-64 Pine Street
Pirrama Park	22-24 Pirrama Road
Redfern Community Centre	12-36 Caroline St
Redfern Occasional Care Centre	55 Pitt Street
Redfern Park & Oval	51 Elizabeth St
Redfern Town Hall	73 Pitt St
SES	107-125 Railway Parade
St James Park	3 Woolley Street
Surry Hills Community, Child Care Centre & Library	405 Crown St
Sydney Park Cycling Centre	171-203 Euston Rd
Sydney Park Pavilion	418 Sydney Park Rd
Sydney Town Hall	483 George St
The Crescent Early Learning Centre	7 Chapman Road
Turuwul Park Tennis Centre and Kiosk	115 Rothschild Avenue, Rosebery
Ultimo Community Centre	Harris St - 525 Harris St
Victoria Park Pool	1001 City Rd
Waterloo Town Hall & Library	770 Elizabeth St
Wilcox Mofflin Building	46-52 Mountain Street

All Council Owned Buildings with Battery Energy Storage

Site	Street Address
Depot-Alexandria Canal	67 Bourke Rd

Council Owned Buildings with Approved Solar PV (2024-2027)

Site	Street Address
Huntley Street Recreation Centre	6-8 Huntley St

10. Water Saving Infrastructure in Council-Owned Facilities

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- 1. Which Council-owned other community venues, including halls, have water saving infrastructure such as water tanks and grey water systems installed? (Please list)
- 2. Which Council-owned landmark community venues have water saving infrastructure such as water tanks and grey water systems installed? (Please list)
- 3. Which other Council-owned buildings have water saving infrastructure such as water tanks and grey water systems installed? (Please list)
- 4. Which Council owned buildings are due for energy upgrades to install solar systems and/or water saving infrastructure in the next three years? (Please list)

X086664

Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. The City of Sydney is currently achieving the operational water target (zero increase in potable water use to June 2025, from the 2006 baseline of 431 ML/year). In FY23 we achieved six per cent potable use reduction against the 2006 baseline. This water use reduction is being achieved by rectifying water leaks, installing water-efficient fixtures and prioritising non-potable water utilisation and water efficiency efforts on the largest water-consuming assets. Reference: https://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports

	Building Name	Address	Water Saving Infrastructure
1	Ian Thorpe Aquatic Centre	67c Bourke Rd, Alexandria	Rainwater Reuse System
2	Bourke Street Community Garden	103-107 Bourke Street, Woolloomooloo	Rainwater Reuse System
3	East Sydney Community & Arts Centre	34/40 Burton St, Darlinghurst	Rainwater Reuse System
4	Gunyama Park Aquatic and Recreation Centre	17 Zetland Ave, Zetland	Rainwater Reuse System, Recycled Water (Scheme- based)
5	Eternity Playhouse	39 Burton St, Darlinghurst	Rainwater Reuse System
6	Erskineville Town Hall	104 Erskineville Rd, Erskineville	Rainwater Reuse System
7	St Helens Community Garden	184 Glebe Point Rd, Glebe	Rainwater Reuse System
8	Hilda Booler Child Care Centre	Jubilee Park, Eglinton Rd, Glebe	Rainwater Reuse System
9	Ultimo Community Centre	40 William Henry Street corner, Bulwara Rd, Ultimo	Rainwater Reuse System
10	Eveleigh Early Education Centre	41 Henderson Rd, Eveleigh	Rainwater Reuse System

	Building Name	Address	Water Saving Infrastructure
11	Broughton Street Kindergarten	80 Broughton Street, Glebe	Rainwater Reuse System
12	Jane Evans Day Centre (Newtown Community Garden)	8-10 Victoria Street, Newtown	Rainwater Reuse System
13	Nurses Quarters	184 Glebe Point Rd, Glebe	Rainwater Reuse System
14	Abraham Mott Hall – Millers Point Community Garden	17 Argyle PI, Millers Point	Rainwater Reuse System
15	Coronation Recreation Centre & Tennis Courts	Prince Alfred Park, Chalmers St, Surry Hills	Rainwater Reuse System
16	Cycling Centre - Sydney Park	410-416 Sydney Park Road, Alexandria	Rainwater Reuse System
17	Phillip Park Community and Childrens Centre	2/10 Yurong Pkwy, Sydney	Rainwater Reuse System
18	Redfern Occasional Child Care Centre	55 Pitt St, Redfern	Rainwater Reuse System
19	Juanita Neilsen Community Centre	31 Nicholson Street, Woolloomooloo	Rainwater Reuse System
20	Booler Community Centre	25-27 Lambert St, Camperdown	Rainwater Reuse System
21	Chippendale Childcare Centre	60 Pine St, Chippendale	Rainwater Reuse System
22	Glebe Library	186 Glebe Point Rd, Glebe	Rainwater Reuse System
23	Rosebery Community Centre	78 Harcourt Parade, Rosebery	Rainwater Reuse System
24	Banga Community Shed	3 Joynton Avenue, Zetland	Rainwater Reuse System
25	Pine Street Creative Arts Centre	64 Pine St, Chippendale	Rainwater Reuse System
26	Huntley Street Early Learning Centre	4 Huntley St, Alexandria	Rainwater Reuse System
27	Maybanke Recreation Centre	87/89 Harris St, Pyrmont	Rainwater Reuse System
28	The Crescent Early Learning Centre	7 Chapman Rd, Annandale	Rainwater Reuse System
29	Turruwul Park Tennis Centre	115 Rothschild Avenue, Rosebery	Rainwater Reuse System
30	James Street Reserve Community Garden	1 Young Ln, Redfern	Rainwater Reuse System
31	Surry Hills Library and Community Centre	405 Crown St, Surry Hills	Rainwater Reuse System
32	Green Square Library	355 Botany Rd, Zetland	Recycled Water (Scheme-based)
33	The Drying Green	103 Portman Street, Zetland	Recycled Water (Scheme-based)
34	Joynton Avenue Creative Centre Building	3 Joynton Avenue, Zetland	Recycled Water (Scheme-based)

2. Refer to response to part 1 above.

3.

	Building Name	Address	Water Saving Infrastructure
1	Bay Street Depot	10-16 Bay St, Ultimo	Rainwater Reuse System
2	Alexandra Canal Depot	67c Bourke Rd, Alexandria	Rainwater Reuse System
3	Redfern Oval Grandstand	602 Elizabeth St, Redfern	Rainwater Reuse System
4	Bellevue Cottage Blackwattle Bay	55 Leichhardt St, Glebe	Rainwater Reuse System
5	Woolloomooloo Depot	75 Bourke Street, Woolloomooloo	Rainwater Reuse System
6	Victoria Park Gardeners Lodge	3 City Rd, Camperdown	Rainwater Reuse System
7	Goodstart East Sydney Early Learning Centre	277-279 Bourke Street	Rainwater Reuse System

4. Green Square Water Reuse Scheme Expansion Project. Current Phase: Implementation.

Bay Street Depot Redevelopment. Current Phase: Design.

Rainwater Reuse Expansion Program (sites to be finalised).

11. Public Toilets and Water Facilities

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- What new public toilets are proposed in the City of Sydney Local Government Area? Where can the community access details of the current and planning public toilet locations?
- 2. QMS has a development application for the installation on a Council-funded public toilet in the Ellen Lawman Rest Area at116-126 Erskineville Road, Erskineville. Did the Council consider making the toilets in the Erskineville Town Hall regularly open to the public? (If yes or no, please provide details)
- 3. What Council strategies or plans guide the implementation of drinking fountains, bubblers and places to refill water bottles in the City of Sydney Local Government Area? Where can the community access details of the locations of bubblers?
- 4. What new water fountains, bubblers and places to refill water bottles are planning to be built by Council in coming financial year (2024/5)?

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. There are eighteen automated public toilets approved and being installed at the following locations:

- Hickson Road and Lower Fort Street Sydney
- City Road opposite Myrtle Street Chippendale
- Wattle Street and Quarry Street Ultimo
- Oxford Street at William Street Paddington
- Quay Street and George Street Sydney
- Castlereagh Street and Park Street Sydney
- Cowper Wharf Road near Brougham Street Woolloomooloo
- Crewe Place opposite Primrose Avenue Rosebery
- Dowling Street and Stephen Street Woolloomooloo
- College Street (Hyde Park) after William Street Sydney
- St James Road after Macquarie Street Sydney
- York Street before Erskine Street Sydney
- Elizabeth Street before Market Street Sydney
- Elizabeth Street at Park Street Sydney
- York Street after Grosvener Street Sydney
- Hay Street after Castlereagh Street Sydney
- Forbes Street (Taylor Square) at Bourke Street Darlinghurst
- Marlborough Street at Devonshire Street (Ward Park) Surry Hills

There is one public automated toilet under development assessment:

Erskineville Road – Erskineville (DA under assessment)

The community can access details of current public toilets at - https://toiletmap.gov.au/ - website with the location of all public toilets (not only City of Sydney)

2. The DA for the proposed automated public toilet at Erskineville D/2024/129 was out for public comment until 11 April 2024. The DA will now be referred to the Local Planning Panel for consideration and determination. The Panel meeting date is likely to be in the later half of this year.

The Erskineville Town Hall is only open during business hours. Leaving the building open to the public poses a number of safety and security risks, given the location of the toilets within the building.

3. The City provides water bubblers in our open spaces and along key walking routes. There are currently more than 250 water bubblers in these locations.

Current locations can be found at - https://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/lists-maps-inventories/water-bubblers

 Opportunities for new water bubblers to refill water bottles are considered as part of the design of each project within the City's park renewal program and major public domain upgrades.

12. Forward Projections of the City of Sydney's Cash Position

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- 1. What was the total City of Sydney's cash investments in 2014/15?
- 2. What was the value of the City of Sydney's commercial property investments in 2014/15?
- 3. In the City of Sydney Long Term Financial Plan 2014/15 to 2023/24, the City of Sydney's cash reserves were estimated to decrease significantly over ten years:
 - (a) What amount were the City of Sydney's cash investments projected to have been reduced to by 2023/24?
 - (b) What were the key assumptions or aspects of the model used to make these tenyear long term financial projections in 2014/15?
 - (c) What are the main factors that account for the variation between what was modelled in 2014/15 and the City's actual cash investment position reached by 2023/24?
- 4. What was the total City of Sydney's cash investment in 2019/20?
- 5. What was the value of the City of Sydney's commercial property investments in 2019/20?
- 6. In the City of Sydney Long Term Financial Plan 2019/20 to 2028/29, the City of Sydney's cash reserves were estimated to decrease significantly over ten years:
 - (a) What amount were the City of Sydney's cash investments projected to have been reduced to by 2023/24?
 - (b) What were the key assumptions or aspects of the model used to make these ten year long term financial projections in 2019/20?
 - (c) What are the main factors that account for the variation between what was modelled in 2019/20 and the City's actual cash investment position reached by 2023/24?

7. The draft City of Sydney Long Term Financial Plan (2024/25) which includes the draft City of Sydney Resourcing Strategy (2024/25) includes a projection that over ten years the Council's cash position will reduce from \$787.7m in 2024/25 to \$263m in 2033/34.

- (a) Have the same assumptions and/or modelling that were used in 2014/15 and 2019/20 to make the ten-year cash investment projections been used again for the ten-year projection for 2024/25?
- (b) If yes, please provide of the updated assumptions and/or modelling?

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. The total City of Sydney's cash investments at 30 June 30 2014/15 was \$624.4M. This information is shown on page 37 of the 2014/15 Annual Financial Statements available on the City's website.

2.

- (a) The amount of \$171.4M which is shown on page 43 of the Long Term Financial Plan 2014/15 to 2023/24, available on the City's website.
- (b) The assumptions and financial forecasts are outlined in the on pages 6 to 26 of the Long Term Financial Plan 2014/15 to 2023/24, available on the City's website.
- (c) The operations of the City are large and complex with financial modelling needing to consider the income and expenditure generated by over 40 different business operations and the largest local government capital project delivery program in NSW. Together these operations and works generate more than 60,000 individual data points.

Over a 10 year financial planning horizon, a wide variety of factors impact funding timing and needs. Key amongst these are levels of inflation, interest rates, salary increases, construction costs and resource availability, outcomes of community consultation on services and projects, asset conditions, property acquisitions and sales, heritage floorspace sales, property market conditions and pandemics. Given the challenging and ever evolving financial environment, the Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) is recalibrated annually to account for variations of all known factors, and latest economic and programming estimates.

Since the development of the 2014/15 LTFP, there have been many significant variances that impact the estimated final cash balance. Major factors include a higher cash opening balance, delayed capital works expenditure, increased property disposal income, higher developer and heritage floor space contributions, changes to the level and timing of capital contributions, and better that anticipated operating results. These changes have allowed the City to expand the size and ambition of its operational services, grants and capital works program.

3. The total City of Sydney's cash investments at 30 June 2019/20 was \$632.8M. This information is available on page 29 of the 2019/20 Annual Financial Statements available on the City's website.

4. Consistent with the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice, page 48 of the 2022/23 Annual Financial Statements identifies that the City held investment properties valued at \$509.6M.

It is the underlying purpose for which individual properties are held that determines their classification. The City's investment properties comprise a mix of commercial and industrial properties that are held for long-term rental yield and capital appreciation, and not occupied by the Council. These investment properties are revalued by independent valuers every year.

The City also holds non-'investment' buildings, including buildings valued at a net carrying amount of \$1.8B, a value for the physical building excluding any land value. These buildings are held at fair value. Independent comprehensive valuations are performed on these buildings at least every five years, with the carrying amount of these assets assessed by Council annually at each reporting date to confirm that they materially reflect fair value.

A number of these non-investment property buildings generate commercial property income for the City. Examples include the buildings held at Town Hall Square which have been acquired over a long period of time, for strategic purposes related to a proposed future project. However, in the interim they are tenanted for commercial rent, which contributes to offset their maintenance costs and the City's financial position.

5.

- (a) The amount of \$376.4M which is shown on page 51 of the Long Term Financial Plan 2019/20 to 2028/29, available on the City's website.
- (b) The assumptions and financial forecasts are outlined in the on pages 6 to 32 of the Long Term Financial Plan 2019/20 to 2028/29, available on the City's website.
- (c) As noted in part 2, each year the Long Term Financial Plan is recalibrated. Since the development of the 2019/20 LTFP, major variances from the plan that have impacted the final cash balance have occurred. These include a higher cash opening balance than anticipated, delays to the planned capital works expenditure, changes to the timing of a significant property sale, higher developer and heritage floor space contributions, the level and timing of capital contributions, and better than estimated operating results. Again these changes have allowed the City to expand the size and ambition of its capital works program and service offering.

6.

- (a) The assumptions are reviewed and revised annually.
- (b) The assumptions and financial forecasts are outlined in the on pages 6 to 32 of the draft City of Sydney Long Term Financial Plan (2024/25), available on the City's website.

13. Investment Income, Property Acquisitions and Divestments in 2023/24

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- 1. What is the current value of the Council's commercial property portfolio?
- 2. What is the estimated profit (that is, income once costs have been considered) for the Council from its commercial property portfolio in 2023/24?
- 3. What is the estimated yield in 2023/24 from:
 - (a) Council's commercial property investments?
 - (b) Council's cash investments?
 - (c) Other Council investments? (please provide details)
- 4. What was the budget for commercial properties:
 - (a) to be acquired by the Council in 2023/24?
 - (b) to be sold or otherwise divested by Council in 2023/24?
- 5. What is the draft 2024/25 budget for commercial properties (as presented to the 6 May 2024 Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee meeting):
 - (a) to be acquired by the Council in 2024/5?
 - (b) to be sold or otherwise divested by Council in 2024/5?
- 6. What is the projected yield in 2024/5 from:
 - (a) Council's commercial property investments?
 - (b) Council's cash investments?
 - (c) Other Council investments?
- 7. The Capital Budget Review Statement for Q3 2023/24 was tabled at the 6 May 2024 Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee meeting notes at 3.1 that the approved Council budget for Property Acquisition/ (Divestment) in the 2023/24 financial year was \$189.5 million in 2023/24, but that -\$2.9 million is forecast.
- 8. Please provide details as to difference between the budget versus the projected figures.

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

The City's property portfolio comprises 277 buildings valued at \$2.7 billion plus property interests including stratums that are broadly categorised into Corporate, Community, Strategic, Investment and Other Interests including stratums and footways.

Revenue may be generated from property either in whole or part (such as a commercial shop forming part of a corporate property or within a community facility) and from other interest such as stratums. Collectively the buildings and spaces (the properties) that generate this revenue is generally referred as Commercial Property or Commercial Property Revenue or Income.

The purpose for which individual properties are held determines their required accounting classification.

Consistent with the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice, page 48 of the 2022/23 Annual Financial Statements identifies that the City held Investment properties valued at \$509.6M representing about 21% of the total property portfolio carrying value, noting the total carrying value excludes land value.

The City's Investment properties comprise a mix of office and industrial properties that are held for long-term rental yield and capital appreciation, and not occupied by the Council. These investment properties are revalued by independent valuers every year.

The City also holds non-'investment' buildings, including buildings valued at a net carrying amount of \$1.8 billion, a value for the physical building excluding any land value. These buildings are held at fair value. Independent comprehensive valuations are performed on these buildings at least every five years, with the carrying amount of these assets assessed by Council annually at each reporting date to confirm that they materially reflect fair value.

A number of these non-investment property buildings generate commercial property income for the City. Examples include the buildings held at Town Hall Square which have been acquired over a long period of time, for strategic purposes related to a proposed future project. However, in the interim they are tenanted for commercial rent, which contributes to offset their maintenance costs and the City's financial position.

Property Income for 2024/25 is forecast to be \$78.5 million, including income generated from its "investment" properties, properties held for "strategic" purposes, and long term "ground" leases such as Queen Victoria Building.

It is important to recognise that there are recurrent operating and maintenance costs, renewal and upgrade capital costs where the upgrade costs are incrementally recognised as expenses over their useful life. Despite unfavourable commercial rental market conditions, the City has been able to negotiate key rent increases that have resulted in a favourable 2023/24 budget performance.

As noted in the April 2024 Investment report to Council the City has achieved an annual rolling return of 5.07% for cash investments. This is expected to continue for the remainder of the financial year. Cash investment returns generally follow the Official Cash Rates as determined by the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA), which are expected to decline over the next couple of years. The projected cash investments yield for 2024/25 is 4.8%

Property investments are long term investments. There are no equivalent yields measures for commercial properties as long term returns include the capital growth over long time periods. There are no other investment categories for the City.

The City's Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) includes allowances to acquire property to meet the City's future requirements including open space and recreational needs, corporate and community needs and properties suitable as long-term Investments generating revenue.

The total provisional budget for acquisition in 2023/24 is \$208.7 million including a provision for Investment property that may include commercial office or industrial of \$152.3 million. The budget provides for funding within our Long Term Financial Plan to expand the diversification of our "own source" revenue, enabling the Council to expand its service delivery and works program, and remain financially sustainable without placing additional burden on our ratepayers. For each expected acquisition, the LTFP then includes anticipated future rental revenue.

The budget is only a provisional funding source, should appropriate properties that meet the Council's needs, risk and return become available in the market. In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, Council makes all decisions in regard to the acquisition and divestment of properties from the portfolio.

Note that the forecast has been revised down substantially for 2023/24, as no suitable and significant commercial property purchase have been identified during the year that represent an appropriate risk/return. A provisional sum has again been incorporated within the draft 2024/25 acquisition budget.

Similarly, the LTFP includes allowances for divesting property that is no longer supports the City's operational needs and/or strategic objectives.

The budget for the proceeds from properties divestments in 2023/24 was \$19.1 million, funds that contribute to funding the City's capital works program.

The total draft budget for the acquisition of property in 2023/24 is \$197.2 million, including a provisional budget for the acquisition of commercial properties of \$93 million. As above, the anticipated revenues that would follow on from the acquisition have also been factored into the commercial property income.

The draft budget for the proceeds from properties divestments in 2024/25 is \$169.2 million, significantly more than the usual budget, reflecting the final payment for the divestment of the former Fig and Wattle depot site. The majority of these funds have already been used to contribute to the funding of the City's future capital works program. Proceeds from the sale of a small number of residential properties will be allocated, in accordance with a Council resolution, to the Supported Accommodation, Affordable and Diverse Housing fund.

The main driver of the variance between the provisional budget and current forecast, is the deferred timing to acquire commercial property and open space, which relies on the availability of suitable properties being offered in the market for purchase.

These substantial purchases have now been included in the draft 2024/25 budget within the City's Long Term Financial Plan, to ensure adequate funding is available as and when appropriate properties arise on the market.

14. Tracking of Carbon Emissions from Operations and Carbon Credits Purchased by the City of Sydney

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- 1. How does the City of Sydney track and report on carbon emissions from City of Sydney operations?
- 2. Where can the public access reporting the total carbon emissions from City of Sydney operations?

3. Where can the public access reporting on carbon offsets purchased by the City of Sydney, to offset the estimated carbon emissions from operations?

- 4. What were the estimated total carbon emissions from City of Sydney operations:
 - (a) In 2021/22?
 - (b) In 2022/23?
 - (c) Projected for 2023/24?
 - (d) Projected for 2024/25?
- 5. Does this include estimated carbon emissions from operations undertaken by contractors engaged by City of Sydney, or services purchased by the City of Sydney?
- 6. How does the City of Sydney track and collect this information from or by contractors and external organisations?
- 7. Are estimations of the carbon emissions from waste services undertaken by contractors included in the report of carbon emissions from City of Sydney operations?
- 8. Are estimates of the carbon emissions from civil services undertaken by contractors included in the report of carbon emissions from City of Sydney operations, including footpath maintenance and road upgrades?
- 9. If not included in the answer to questions above (estimated total carbon emissions from City of Sydney operations), what were the total carbon emissions from City of Sydney operations undertaken by contractors engaged by City of Sydney, or services purchased by the City of Sydney?
 - (a) In 2021/22?
 - (b) In 2022/23?
 - (c) Projected for 2023/24?
 - (d) Projected for 2024/25?
- 10. What carbon offsets were purchased by the City of Sydney:
 - (a) In 2021/22?
 - (b) In 2022/23?
 - (c) Purchased to date, and total projected to be purchased for 2023/24?
 - (d) Purchased to date, and total projected to be purchased for 2024/25?
- 11. What proportion of carbon offsets were Australian Carbon Credit Units:
 - (a) In 2021/22?
 - (b) In 2022/23?
 - (c) In 2023/24?

- (d) In 2024/25?
- 12. What were the other types of carbon credits purchased, and in what proportions?
- 13. What is expected to be the total cost to Council of purchasing carbon credits of all types:
 - (a) In 2021/22?
 - (b) In 2022/23?
 - (c) In 2023/24?
 - (d) In 2024/25?
- 14. How does the City of Sydney decide which and how many carbon offsets it will purchase? Is there a policy, plan or guideline which the public can access?
- 15. To what extent has the Council achieved its goal of switching to '100% high quality Australian regenerative offsets by 2025' as set out in the City's *Environmental Strategy* 2021-25 (Action 3)?
- 16. Has the Council reviewed the environmental assessment of Australian regenerative offsets by ANU Professors Andrew McIntosh and Don Butler, plus other eminent scientists, published in *Community, Earth and Environment* in March 2024 (https://doi.org/10.1038/s43247-024-01313-x)?
- 17. How does the City of Sydney assess the mitigation impacts from carbon offsets?
- 18. When did the City of Sydney last review its policies in relation to the purchase and use of carbon offsets?

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

- 1. City of Sydney Green report www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports
 - City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney
- 2. City of Sydney Green report www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports
 - City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney
- 3. City of Sydney Green report www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports
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- 4.
- (a) City of Sydney Green report <u>www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports</u>
 - City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney
- (b) City of Sydney Green report <u>www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports</u>
- (c) Actual figures will be published as part of the annual Green Report in November 2024.
- (d) Actual figures will be published as part of the annual Green Report in November 2025.
- 5. Yes
- 6. Fuel usage by contractors to provide services to City of Sydney.
- 7. Yes.
- 8. Yes.
- 9.
- (a) City of Sydney Green report <u>www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports</u>
 - City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney
- (b) City of Sydney Green report <u>www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/research-reports/green-reports</u>
- (c) Actual figures will be published as part of the annual Green Report in November 2024.
- (d) Actual figures will be published as part of the annual Green Report in November 2025.
- 10.
- (a) City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement <u>www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney</u>
- (b) Public Disclosure Statement to be made available on Climate Active website later in 2024.
- (c) Purchased to date: City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney
 - Projected Undisclosed, commercial in confidence.

(d) Purchased to date: City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney

Projected - Undisclosed, commercial in confidence.

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- (a) City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney
- (b) This information will be available when the disclosure statement is published later in 2024.
- (c) This information will be available when the disclosure statement is published in 2025.
- (d) This information will be available when the disclosure statement is published in 2026.
- 12. City of Sydney Climate Active Public Disclosure Statement www.climateactive.org.au/buy-climate-active/certified-members/city-sydney

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- (a) Undisclosed, commercial in confidence.
- (b) Undisclosed, commercial in confidence.
- (c) Undisclosed, commercial in confidence.
- (d) To be determined once final emission figures are known.
- 14. The Environmental strategy 2021-2025 explains our commitment to remaining carbon neutral www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/strategies-action-plans/environmental-strategy
 - Carbon offsets are procured through a public tender and RFQ process.
- 15. In 2022, 21 per cent of our emissions were offset from Indigenous savannah fire and land management in northern Australia. Our aim is for 100 per cent high-quality Australian regenerative offsets by 2025.
- 16. Yes.
- 17. The City only purchases ACCUs that are recognised by the Australian Government's Climate Active Program and the Clean Energy Regulator.
- 18. Refer response to part 14 above. Refer to the Environmental strategy 2021-2025 www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/strategies-action-plans/environmental-strategy

19. Food Organics

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

1. What is the estimated amount of food scraps which could be directed and recycled in the City of Sydney?

- (a) In 2019/20 (if known)
- (b) In 2020/21 (if known)
- (c) In 2021/22 (if known)
- (d) In 2022/23 (if known)
- (e) In 2023/24 (if known)
- (f) Anticipated for 2024/25?
- 2. What are the numbers of households who have participated in the City of Sydney's food scraps trial:
 - (a) In 2019/20
 - (b) In 2020/21
 - (c) n 2021/22
 - (d) In 2022/23
 - (e) In 2023/24
 - (f) Anticipated for 2024/25?
- 3. What was the budget allocated for the City of Sydney's food scraps trial and other food organics recycling initiatives:
 - (a) In 2019/20
 - (b) In 2020/21
 - (c) In 2021/22
 - (d) In 2022/23
 - (e) In 2023/24
 - (f) In the draft budget 2024/25?
- 4. What is the total amount of food scraps redirected as a result of the City of Sydney's food scrap trials and other initiatives:
 - (a) In 2019/20

- (b) In 2020/21
- (c) In 2021/22
- (d) In 2022/23
- (e) In 2023/24
- (f) Anticipated for 2024/25?
- 5. What new initiatives for food recycling are included in the draft 2024/25 City of Sydney budget?
- 6. Does the City of Sydney intend to rollout food organics recycling, alongside or as part of an amended program of recycling for garden organics, in the 2024/25 financial year?
- 7. When does the City of Sydney currently estimate it will rollout food organics recycling to the whole Local Government Ares?

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

- Below are estimates only of the approximate amount of food scraps in the residual bin based on residential kerbside bin audits conducted in 2019/20 that shows approximately 35 per cent of the residual (red-lid) bin consists of food and audits in 2023/24 that showed approximately 34 per cent of the residual (red-lid) bin consists of food.
 - (a) 15,837 tonnes;
 - (b) 15,604 tonnes;
 - (c) 15,749 tonnes;
 - (d) 15,082 tonnes;
 - (e) 10,511 tonnes (approx. tonnes from July 2023 to March 2024); and
 - (f) 16,000 tonnes.
- 2. The approximate total number of households participating in the trial each financial year are:
 - (a) 4,300 households;
 - (b) 13,300 households;
 - (c) 19,000 households;
 - (d) 20,600 households;
 - (e) At 30 April 2024 21,446 households; and
 - (f) 22,000 households.

3. Below are the operational budgets for the food scraps recycling trial project for the following financial years:

- (a) \$180,075 (includes grant income);
- (b) \$410,342 (includes grant income);
- (c) \$82,793 (includes grant income);
- (d) \$208,771;
- (e) \$268,220; and
- (f) \$337,610 (draft only).

The budgets include processing fees, education and communication costs, equipment, grant income (where applicable) and project administrative costs. They do not include in-house collection costs, salaries or plant and asset costs.

- 4. The amount of food scraps recycling through the City's food scraps recycling trial for the following years is:
 - (a) 200 tonnes;
 - (b) 370 tonnes;
 - (c) 534 tonnes;
 - (d) 521 tonnes;
 - (e) 417 tonnes; and
 - (f) 600 tonnes.
- 5. Implementing the insect farming trial using black soldier fly larvae to process residential food scraps.
- 6. The City will continue to offer the food scraps collection service in 2024/25 to properties participating in the trial. This is a separate service to the existing garden organics collection service, which is available to all residents.
- 7. The City will have the service available by the 2030 NSW Government mandated deadline. The City is working towards providing the service when there is adequate food organics waste processing capacity to handle the volume generated in the City of Sydney. It is noted that there are a number of challenges (outside the control of the City) including a limited number of suppliers, a lack of processing infrastructure and a shortage of readily accessible waste collection and transfer sites. The NSW Environmental Protection Authority is continuing to develop the NSW Waste Infrastructure Plan to address infrastructure needs across the state.

21. Affordable Housing Developer Contributions

By Councillor Ellsmore

Question

- 1. What is the estimated value of new development in the City of Sydney:
 - (a) In 2019/20
 - (b) In 2020/21
 - (c) In 2021/22
 - (d) In 2022/23
 - (e) In 2023/24
 - (f) Anticipated for 2024/25?
- 2. What is the amount of affordable housing contributions that the City of Sydney collected from development:
 - (a) In 2019/20
 - (b) In 2020/21
 - (c) In 2021/22
 - (d) In 2022/23
 - (e) In 2023/24
 - (f) Anticipated for 2024/25?
- 3. Over what areas of the Local Government Area does the City of Sydney have an affordable housing developer contribution scheme, which collects a percentage based on the cost of a development?
- 4. What are the rates of affordable housing developer contributions based on the cost of development that the City of Sydney collects?
- 5. Over what areas of the Local Government Area does the City of Sydney have an affordable housing developer contribution scheme based on the value created from a change to zoning (also known as a mandatory inclusionary zoning scheme or value uplift capture)?
- 6. What are the rates of affordable housing developer contributions based on value uplift capture?
- 7. What is the estimated value of new development in the City of Sydney CBD specifically (if known):
 - (a) In 2019/20
 - (b) In 2020/21

- (c) In 2021/22
- (d) In 2022/23
- (e) In 2023/24
- (f) Anticipated for 2024/25?
- 8. What affordable housing contribution schemes apply to the Sydney CBD?
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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

- 1. The value of approved development applications in the City of Sydney:
 - (a) In 2019/20 = \$2.83 billion
 - (b) In 2020/21 = \$1.39 billion
 - (c) In 2021/22 = \$3.45 billion
 - (d) In 2022/23 = \$2.51 billion
 - (e) In 2023/24 = \$2.57 billion
 - (f) Anticipated for 2024/25 = unknown
- 2. The value of affordable housing contributions that the City of Sydney collected from development:
 - (a) In 2019/20 = \$24.11 million
 - (b) In 2020/21 = \$20.19 million
 - (c) In 2021/22 = \$24.75 million
 - (d) In 2022/23 = \$12.35 million
 - (e) In 2023/24 = available at end of financial year
 - (f) Anticipated for 2024/25 = not possible to predict with any level of certainty

It is noted that the requirement to pay a contribution is made at the approval stage via a condition of consent on the approval. The contribution is not actually payable until a construction certificate is issued and the project proceeds.

3. The City's contribution scheme now applies to almost all of the Local Government Area, except where the Sydney LEP 2012 (essentially NSW Government lands) or the Green Square Town Centre LEPs do not apply, such as Barangaroo, Darling Harbour, Central Park, Walsh Bay, The Rocks, parts of north and south Everleigh and Moore Park and parts of the LGA that are subject to the South Sydney LEP 1998, such as Rosebery, Waterloo Estate (north and central), and Redfern Estate.

A contribution is required to the former Redfern Waterloo Authority areas, if the State Government is the consent authority for a development, under the Redfern Waterloo Affordable Housing Contribution Plan.

- 4. Contribution rates are not based on the cost of development. They are based on a proportion of floor space. The contribution rates that apply in the Sydney LEP 2012 and Green Square Town Centre LEPs are three per cent of residential floor space and one per cent of non-residential floor space.
- 5. The higher contribution rate applies only where there is a planning proposal to increase the residential development capacity on a site. Currently, the requirement applies to several sites in the Waterloo Estate, several sites in the Botany Road Precinct, and the 923 Bourke Street, Waterloo (Woolworths site).
 - Notwithstanding the above, it is noted that the introduction of the levy that applies in Ultimo/Pyrmont (1996), Green Square (1998) and the Southern Employment Lands (2015) were all introduced when those areas were rezoned.
- 6. Rates of affordable housing developer contributions are set out in the Affordable Housing Program as:
 - 13% of new residential floor space in Central Sydney
 - 12% of new residential floor space in the South Precinct
 - 12% of new residential floor space in the West precinct
 - 21% of new residential floor space in the East precinct
- 7. The value of approved development applications in the City of Sydney CBD:
 - (a) In 2019/20 = \$1.56 billion
 - (b) In 2020/21 = \$630 million
 - (c) In 2021/22 = \$2.3 billion
 - (d) In 2022/23 = \$1.5 billion
 - (e) In 2023/24 = \$1.4 billion
 - (f) Anticipated for 2024/25 = unknown
- 8. The City of Sydney Local Government Area wide levy contribution scheme applies in Central Sydney.

22. City of Sydney E-Scooter and E-Bike Parking

By Councillor Scott

Question

1. How many e-scooter and e-bike Parking Racks are available for public use in the City of Sydney? Please list their locations.

- 2. Please detail any results from the City's Pyrmont trial.
- 3. Following the City's Pyrmont trial, does the City have any plans to extend the e-scooter and e-bike parking restrictions in other areas of the City? If yes, please list their locations and a timeframe for this.
- 4. What is the current clearing process for dumped e-scooters and e-bikes in the City?
- 5. Broken down by suburb, how many dumped e-scooters and e-bikes have been cleared by the City in the last 12 months?

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Answer by the Chief Executive Officer

1. There are around 3,800 bike racks installed on streets and public domain in the City of Sydney. These are available for everyone to use to lock their bicycles.

Bike racks are not dedicated for specific use by e-bikes or e-scooters.

The use of private e-scooters on public land is illegal in NSW. The use of share e-scooters is only permitted in areas undergoing a Transport for NSW (TfNSW) trial. No such trial is underway in City of Sydney.

In response to requests from the community and businesses, the City asked operators to implement designated bike parking programs through their apps. These programs restrict where users can end their trips to approved locations. For share bike riders ending their trips outside the dedicated parking areas, they are charged time fees plus a penalty (e.g. \$25 for Lime bike).

- Pyrmont, Circular Quay and Ultimo: We allocated 60 dedicated bike parking areas across these suburbs as the first stage of this initiative. We have dedicated these areas on footpaths or public domain where there is sufficient space and strong demand from operators and riders for share bikes.
- Forest Lodge and Chippendale: We allocated around 50 dedicated bike parking areas across these suburbs as the second stage of this initiative. These will be operational by July 2024.
- 2. City staff have been conducting regular compliance audits of dedicated parking areas since March 2024:

In Pyrmont, 77% of share bikes are now parked within one metre of a designated parking station (in areas where operator-applied parking restrictions are in place).

3. Following the trials of dedicated share bike parking in Pyrmont, Circular Quay and Ultimo, dedicated share bike parking areas will come on line in Forest Lodge and Chippendale.

Before allocating any more resources to progressing additional locations, the City will now wait until the NSW Government engages with local government on its proposed options for regulating share bike operations and options for on-street bike parking.

- 4. The Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021 (PSUP Act) gives Council limited practical / useable powers to remove dumped or illegally / badly parked share bikes. Rangers may take possession of bikes if they determine the bikes are:
 - (a) unattended, and
 - (b) the bike
 - (i) is obstructing access to or within a public place, or
 - (ii) poses a risk to persons, animals or the environment, or
 - (iii) is interfering with public amenity, or
 - (iv) has been in the same or substantially the same place for 7 days; or
 - (v) is unattended in another circumstance prescribed by the regulations including in contravention of the 'Code of Practice for Class 2 Items—Shopping Trolleys and other Sharing Service Items'.

Rangers can issue \$660 (individual) and \$1320 (corporation) penalties for non-compliance. In addition, Rangers can issue \$66 (individual) and \$132 (corporation) penalties for each additional shared bike left in the same public space.

Alternatively, Rangers may move the bike to another place in the same general area so that the bike does not obstruct access to or within a public place, or pose a risk to persons, animals or the environment, or interfere with public amenity. Rangers could move shared bikes if they reasonably believe the bike is unattended, but it is not necessary to take possession of the bike. In such circumstances Rangers must:

- (a) move the item to a place where it is reasonably likely to be found by a responsible person for the item, or
- (b) if it is not practicable to move the item as referred to in paragraph (a) take reasonable steps to notify a responsible person for the item of the place to which the item has been moved.

In addition, Rangers may give a written notice directing bike user or bikes scheme operator to:

- (a) remove the unattended bike, or
- (b) prevent it becoming unattended again.

If this direction is not complied with, Rangers can issue \$1320 (individual) and \$2640 (corporation) penalties for non-compliance.

5. There are no shared e-scooters in the City of Sydney. Shared e-bikes – none. For the reasons outlined above, the PSUP laws and regulations are an ineffective tool for councils to address complaints. The City has been working with bike share operators to ensure they clear the bikes reasonably quickly.

When contacted, the City advises people to report issues directly with the operators.

Item 14.1

Notices of Motion

Setting the Record Straight - Easter 2024

By Councillor Jarrett

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) according to the 2021 National Census data, 44 per cent of Australians identify as Christian, making Christianity the most popular religion in Australia;
- (ii) Easter is one of the principal holidays of Christianity alongside Christmas. This is reflected in Australian culture generally with the nationally recognised public holidays for this celebration;
- (iii) in the Green Square Community News 8 April 2024 edition, the Lord Mayor acknowledged the celebrations of Ramadan (11 March-9 April), Hana Matsuri (8 April), Eid al Fitr (9 April), Ugadi (9 April), Songkran (13-15 April), Thingyan (13-16 April), Choul Chnam Thmey(13-15 April), Pii Mai (13-16 April), Aluth Avurudda 13 April), Puthandu (14 April), Vaisakhi (13 April), Navavarsha (14 April), Pohela Boishakh (14 April), Maithil (15 April), Ridvan (19 April-1 May), Passover (22-20 April), St George's Day (23 April), Hanuman Jayanti (23 April) and Hung Vuong Festival (9-18 April), but there was no mention of Easter which occurred between 29 March and 1 April 2024;
- (iv) the previous Green Square Community News was sent out to the community in October 2023 and therefore did not include any mention of Easter celebrations for 2024; and
- in the April 2024 edition of the Sydney City News there was also no mention of Easter celebrations; and
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to include a statement in the next publication of Green Square Community News and all other community news publications sent out around the Easter period for 2024 (29 March-1 April 2024) which also did not include any mention of this important celebration, acknowledging the importance of the celebration of Easter and correcting the record for missing its inclusion in the well wishes of many other celebrations around the same time within these publications.

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Item 14.2

Notices of Motion

Honey Birdette Broadway Shopping Centre Breaches

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
 - (i) Honey Birdette is a bondage, sex toy and fetish themed retail outlet;
 - (ii) Honey Birdette has 57 stores across Australia, one being located in Broadway Shopping Centre in Glebe, opposite the centre's main escalators and in clear view from children's store LEGO;
 - (iii) Honey Birdette uses large shopfront image displays to advertise their explicit product;
 - (iv) the Australian Association of National Advertisers (AANA) is an industry and selfregulatory body for Ad Standards;
 - (v) in September 2020, the AANA outlined changes to the Code of Ethics and Practices notes regarding sexual imagery in advertising, reflecting increased community concern and children's exposure to sexualised images;
 - (vi) section 2.2 of the AANA Code of Ethics states: Advertising shall not employ sexual appeal:
 - (a) where images of Minors, or people who appear to be Minors, are used; or
 - (b) in a manner which is exploitative or degrading of any individual or group of people;
 - (vii) section 2.3 of the AANA Code of Ethics state: Advertising shall not present or portray violence unless it is justifiable in the context of the product or service advertised:
 - (viii) section 2.4 of the AANA Code of Ethics state: Advertising shall treat sex, sexuality and nudity with sensitivity to the relevant audience;
 - (ix) Honey Birdette has been found in breach of one or more of 2.2, 2.3 or 2.4 or other sections of the AANA Code of Ethics more than 60 times;
 - (x) where a company owns the advertising medium, there is no clear enforcement mechanism;
 - (xi) Ad Standards have been attempting to get Honey Birdette to comply with Ad Standards for approximately five years;

(xii) Ad Standards are pursuing working with the Shopping Centre Council of Australia to ensure shopping centre owners put compliance with Advertising Standards in lease agreements, however, this has yet to be confirmed; and

- (xiii) the NSW Planning Legislation and Economic Policy Director has advised that the NSW Planning Department have no power to act;
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - (i) take steps to ensure that Honey Birdette is operating within their retail premises permit, and if not, refer them to appropriate regulatory authorities for their consideration; and
 - ensure the City advises all constituents contacting the Council with concerns that they should make a direct complaint to Ad Standards via https://adstandards.com.au/make-a-complaint/ with details about each advertisement they find offensive; and
- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to:
 - (i) the Hon Minister Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications and the Hon Minister Mark Dreyfus MP, Attorney General, outlining the more than 60 breaches of the AANA Code of Ethics by Honey Birdette, requesting a legally binding, strong, transparent enforcement mechanism to be put in place for serial non-compliers such as Honey Birdette, in order to uphold public safety in public places;
 - (ii) Ad Standards outlining the more than 60 breaches of the AANA Code of Ethics by Honey Birdette and the concern of the City of Sydney community and Council; and
 - (iii) the Shopping Centre Council of Australia, seeking their support for a mandatory change to all lease agreements to include compliance with Advertising Standards.

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Item 14.3

Notices of Motion

Museum of Contemporary Art Australia Congratulations and Funding

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (i) NSW Arts Minister John Graham MLC recently launched the NSW Arts, Culture and Creative Industries Policy for 2024-2033;
- this 10-year policy outlines a framework for existing organisations and institutions, highlighting their crucial role in the state's cultural infrastructure and sites of excellence;
- (iii) the Museum of Contemporary Art Australia (MCA) opened in 1991, funded by the late Australian artist John Power, after his inheritance was left to the University of Sydney to inform the public about contemporary visual art;
- (iv) in 1998, the NSW Government and the Australia Council replaced the University of Sydney and the Power Bequest as the Key Stakeholders;
- (v) in 2012, a new five-storey wing was opened, increasing the MCA floorspace by 50 per cent;
- (vi) on Friday 12 April 2024, the MCA welcomed its 20 millionth visitor since its inception in 1991;
- (vii) the MCA is experiencing significant financial pressures, reducing their opening hours by one day per week and reducing the vibrancy and activation of Sydney's CBD as a result;
- (viii) the MCA is an independent not-for-profit public museum, raising 70 to 75 per cent of its income from sources such as donations, sponsorships, events, exhibitions, and venue hire;
- (ix) significant MCA funding is currently received from the NSW Government through Arts NSW, and from the Commonwealth Government;
- (x) in 2008, the City provided a one off grant of \$1 million to the MCA for the development and expansion of their new site;
- (xi) since 2014/15, the City of Sydney has provided \$941,723 in cash support to the following museums:
 - (a) AGNSW \$80,000;
 - (b) Australian Museum \$28,732;

- (c) National Maritime Museum \$114,991;
- (d) Museums of History \$104,000;
- (e) Powerhouse Museum \$30,000;
- (f) Museum of Chinese in Australia \$50,000;
- (g) Museums and Galleries NSW \$26,000;
- (h) Artspace \$90,000;
- (i) National Trust of Australia \$34,500; and
- (j) Qtopia \$383,500;
- (xii) since 2014, the City of Sydney has provided \$2,199,402 in Value in Kind support to the following museums:
 - (a) AGNSW \$140,286;
 - (b) Australian Museum \$87,087;
 - (c) National Maritime Museum \$42,000;
 - (d) Museums of History \$67,701;
 - (e) Powerhouse Museum \$112,866;
 - (f) Museum of Chinese in Australia \$ 1,744,962; and
 - (g) Qtopia \$4,500; and
- (xiii) the NSW Government is currently conducting a review of the funding for the MCA; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - (i) work in partnership with the NSW Government, as part of their review of the MCA, to consider a City of Sydney matched funding commitment for the MCA; and
 - (ii) report back to Council on progress via the CEO Update.

Item 14.4

Notices of Motion

LGBTQIA+ Community-Led Safety Training

By Councillor Ellsmore

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note that the City of Sydney currently funds a wide range of LGBTIQA+ organisations, programs and events, and support initiatives such as Wear it Purple, Trans Day of Visibility, Rainbow story time and other library events;
- (B) Council reaffirms its commitment to supporting LGBTQIA+ inclusive events to be held in the City of Sydney Local Government Area and Council venues, including Trans and Gender Diverse Swim Days and Drag Story Time;
- (C) Council note that LGBTIQA+ community members, LGBTIQA+ organisations and allies have historically - and continue to – provide important support for these events when they are subject to homophobic and transphobic commentary, threats or organised protests, including through safety training;
- (D) Council note that following the Lord Mayor's LGBTIQA+ Safety Summit held in February 2024, the Council requested that the Chief Executive Officer investigate and report back to Council on opportunities for Council to support community-led initiatives which keep LGBTIQA+ people safe and supported;
- (E) Council note that:
 - (i) an example of a community-led initiative is the Rainbow Community Angels. The Rainbow Community Angels is an LGBTIQA+ community-led safety initiative that trains and supports LGBTIQA+ people and allies to take part in community events, to ensure those events remain safe and inclusive for LGBTQIA+ people, families, friends, allies and the wider community;
 - (ii) Rainbow Community Angels was founded in Victoria in response to the increased anti-trans and queer-phobic attacks that increased particularly during and post-pandemic, including attacks targeting events like Drag Story Time;
 - (iii) the Rainbow Community Angels:
 - (a) offer their presence (and the presence of trained volunteers) to councils, libraries, cafes and others organising LGBTIQA+ events and activities;
 - (b) provide training and practical advice for community members, council staff and others about how to constructively respond to threats against LGBTQIA+ community events, with an emphasis on inclusion, deescalation and fun;

 otherwise work with councils, community members and event staff to increase event safety, including to provide safe passage to ensure people can participate in planned LGBTQIA+ events;

- (iv) Rainbow Community Angels have offered to collaborate with the City of Sydney and Inner West Councils to pilot a community safety training program, based on what has worked in Victoria, to train community members in strategies to support LGBTIQA+ events; and
- (v) the Inner West Council recently resolved to investigate opportunities to work with the Rainbow Community Angels, other relevant organisations, and other councils including the City of Sydney, to initiatives to develop and strengthen LGBTIQA+ community safety; and
- (F) consistent with the unanimous resolution of 19 February 2024 arising from the LGBTIQA+ Safety Summit, the Chief Executive Officer be requested to meet with Rainbow Community Angels, other relevant organisations, and other councils including Inner West Council, to discuss opportunities to support or deliver LGBTQIA+ community-led safety training, and report back to Council.

Item 14.5

Notices of Motion

Fitzroy Gardens Playground - Additional Fence Works

By Councillor Gannon

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) in 2014, the Fitzroy Gardens Playground was upgraded with the installation of new play equipment, paving, lighting, new furniture, fencing, a new shade structure, soft landscaping, and planting of advanced trees;
- (ii) the City undertakes, daily, quarterly and annual safety and condition assessments of its playgrounds to identify risks, and to make sure that they comply with Australian Standards;
- (iii) quarterly audits and annual inspections are completed by an independent playground assessor, and at the last audit in January 2024 no safety risks were identified:
- (iv) the Playground is incredibly popular with local families and children, and extensively used by families visiting the area on weekends;
- (v) the fence of the Playground provides a barrier to children, dogs, and other park users. It was not designed as a child-proof safety fence, which is consistent with the City's general approach to fencing around playgrounds;
- (vi) however, sections of the fence are easily wide enough for a toddler to walk through; and
- (vii) parents have raised concerns that, although the fence is not designed to be child-proof and supervision is required, it is far too easy for children to make a break for it through these gaps which is dangerous due to the proximity to Baroda Street and the rest of Fitzroy Gardens; and

(B) that Council further note:

- this notice of motion was submitted at last Council meeting 13 May 2024;
- (ii) however, due to the meeting going overtime the notice of motion was not addressed in the meeting;
- (iii) the Chief Executive Officer and City staff have though, acted on this notice of motion and begun working on a solution; and
- (iv) works have commenced, which include having commissioned someone to fabricate and install mesh to the existing fence and having the gate latch fixed, which was done on 18 June 2024.

Item 14.6

Notices of Motion

City of Sydney Council Condemns Modern Slavery

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (i) the NSW Anti-Slavery Commissioner describes modern slavery as situations where offenders use coercion, threats or deception to exploit victims and undermine their freedom. It is an umbrella term used to encompass a number of exploitative practices including forced labour, slavery, servitude, debt bondage, human trafficking, deceptive recruiting for labour services, the worst forms of child labour and forced marriage;
- (ii) in November 2021, NSW Parliament passed the Modern Slavery Amendment Act 2021 No 39 (NSW). Obligations on local government commenced on 1 July 2022;
- (iii) the City of Sydney's Chief Executive Officer, under delegation, approved a City of Sydney Modern Slavery Policy on 20 November 2023, with the purpose of outlining the City's commitments to:
 - identifying, managing and minimising the risk of modern slavery in our operations and supply chains;
 - (b) taking steps to ensure that City of Sydney suppliers and others we do business with are adequately managing modern slavery risks;
 - (c) ensuring the City of Sydney is compliant with obligations under the NSW Modern Slavery Act; and
 - (d) ensuring that City of Sydney of Sydney employees are aware of the City of Sydney's requirements in relation to Modern Slavery;
- (iv) the City of Sydney's Modern Slavery Policy outlines it will only comply with our reporting obligations under the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), as well as take steps to identify, manage and minimise risks and instances of modern slavery in supply chains and business operations;
- (v) the City of Sydney Modern Slavery Policy includes the following types of exploitation:
 - (a) trafficking in people the recruitment, harbouring and movement of persons for the purposes of exploitation through modern slavery. This includes sexual exploitation, forced labour or services and slavery and practices similar to slavery;

- (b) slavery when a person exercises power of ownership over another;
- servitude a situation where an individual's freedom is significantly restricted, for example they are not free to stop working or to leave their place of work;
- (d) forced labour where violence or other methods (for example accumulation or debt, retention of identity papers) are used to coerce victims to work; and
- (e) forced marriage where an individual is forced or deceived into marrying;

(B) Council further note that:

- Council's Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee were provided with an initial update on the NSW Anti-Slavery Commissioner's guidance at the March 2024 meeting and advised that a further update would be provided at the June 2024 meeting; and
- (ii) annual attestation against the requirements of the NSW Anti-Slavery Commissioner's guidance will be required as the minimum standard from the 2024/25 financial year;
- (C) Council condemn acts of modern slavery in the strongest possible terms;

(D) Council note:

- (i) that modern slavery has an horrific personal impact on the millions of people subjected to it around the world;
- (ii) that the City of Sydney has an ethical, reputational and financial imperative to act to prevent modern slavery in all its forms, and to set the highest standards of accreditation, compliance and reporting as a result; and
- (iii) that safeguarding human rights is important to long-term City risk mitigation and sustainability, and that we will act to do this in our operations internally as well as with our outsourced providers and supply chains; and

(E) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:

- (i) amend the current City of Sydney Modern Slavery Policy to reflect these aspirations;
- (ii) explore options and budget settings for setting best practice targets for City of Sydney modern slavery compliance, performance and reporting on modern slavery risks in its own operations and supply chains;
- (iii) explore options and budget settings for seeking best practice City of Sydney modern slavery accreditation;
- (iv) bring an amended City of Sydney Modern Slavery Policy back to Council for consideration by August 2024, reflecting these changes; and
- (v) report back to the Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee and Councillors via the CEO Update on progress on the above.

Item 14.7

Notices of Motion

Local Youth Services and Programs

By Councillor Weldon

It is resolved that:

- (i) young people are the lifeblood of our city. They are our future leaders and youth culture contributes to our city's vibrancy and dynamism in many ways;
- (ii) not all young people in the City of Sydney have the same opportunities and support and some experience greater adversity;
- (iii) ensuring that young people are engaged, supported and valued is one of the most important investments we can make in the future of our city;
- (iv) the City's approach is set out in our Youth Action Plan 2017-2027 and the City embeds youth development principles in many areas of our work;
- (v) youth services and programs play a vital role in supporting young people, particularly those facing systemic barriers;
- (vi) the City provides a range of youth programs and events which are developed and delivered in ways that support equitable access and outcomes for all young people and promote inclusive participation;
- (vii) there are many other services, organisations and government agencies working in our local area to support young people. Each have different catchments, focuses, skills and resources;
- (viii) the City provides substantial funding and in-kind support to a range of services and projects for young people. Furthermore, the City provides sector support through the coordination of a quarterly Youth Services Interagency and the Connect Sydney program;
- (ix) the dedication and skills of youth workers and the vital role they play in supporting young people; and
- (x) supporting young people is a whole-of-community responsibility and all levels of government have a role to play; and

(B) Council commend staff for their ongoing work to ensure young people are engaged, supported and valued, including recent commitments to:

- (i) undertake a mapping of youth services in the City of Sydney to identify existing supports and programs for young people and to help identify gaps; and
- (ii) convene a round table meeting with local youth services to discuss current and ongoing funding challenges and opportunities for sustainable delivery of services across the City of Sydney.

Item 14.8

Notices of Motion

Share Bikes in the City of Sydney

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (i) share-bikes play an important role in assisting members of our community to travel efficiently, safely and environmentally around the City;
- (ii) as of April 2024, since 2019 there have been more than 2.9 million share bike trips taken in the City of Sydney;
- (iii) as of April 2024, approximately 4,700 trips are taken daily on share bikes within the City of Sydney;
- (iv) as of April 2024, share bike rides are saving approximately 1,426 tonnes of carbon emissions each year;
- (v) bikes left parked unattended on footpaths and roads can cause unreasonable hazards, posing as a significant safety risk for cyclists and pedestrians;
- (vi) share bike private companies utilise geofencing, creating a geographical boundary that restricts the stopping of a ride in certain areas outside the company's specific boundary;
- (vii) in February 2024, the City of Sydney rolled out a pilot program with designated parking zones for share bikes in Pyrmont and Circular Quay;
- (viii) in this trial the City worked with share bike operators to incentivise people who use the bikes to park in 19 zones in Pyrmont and eight in Circular Quay, or riders would be at risk for further chargers to their ride. This creates a dockless parking area for share bikes;
- (ix) this trial was aimed to reduce clutter on footpaths; and
- (x) the City does not have regulatory control over share bike operators; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - (i) report back to Councillors via the CEO Update on the outcomes of the dockless parking area for share bikes trial;
 - (ii) ensure the roll out of the pilot program share bike parking is allocated spaces in all suburbs in the City of Sydney as soon as possible; and

(iii) allocate funding for the trial extension and for share bike parking infrastructure in areas where this is not already provided in the City of Sydney in the 2024/25 City budget.

Item 14.9

Notices of Motion

Drag Queen Storytime in the City of Sydney

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (i) the City's 2018 Community Wellbeing Survey indicated 21.3 per cent of respondents identified as being part of the LGBTQIA+ community;
- (ii) the City of Sydney is the home for the largest LGBTQIA+ community across Australia;
- (iii) Drag Queen Storytime is a children's event started in 2015 in San Francisco, aiming to promote diversity within a community;
- (iv) the Storytime event is directed at children between the ages of three to six, hosted by drag queens who read children's picture books in public libraries;
- (v) Drag Queen Storytime is a fun and inclusive event that celebrates the diversity we have within the City of Sydney;
- (vi) Drag Queen Storytime is especially important for children in rainbow families who may not see themselves represented in mainstream media;
- (vii) Rainbow Families is a charity that helps to support and advocate for LGBTQIA+ parents and families, running programs and support for families at every stage of their journey;
- (viii) in March 2024, the Inner West Council unanimously resolved to work with Rainbow Families to present a series of Drag Queen Storytime events at an Inner West Council library, ensuring community groups continue to feel safe, connected and supported;
- (ix) the Inner West Council now regularly hosts a series of Drag Queen Storytime events;
- (x) the City of Sydney has previously hosted and promoted successful Rainbow Families Drag Queen Storytime events, but there are no future events listed;
- (xi) a range of Drag Queen Storytime events have had to be cancelled due to groups of extremists threatening the safety of organisers and participants; and
- (xii) everyone should feel safe, welcome and represented within the City of Sydney; and

- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - (i) allocate funding for City run Drag Queen Storytime sessions in the 2024/25 City budget;
 - (ii) guarantee the City run a series of Drag Queen Storytimes at all City of Sydney libraries; and
 - (iii) report back to Councillors with progress of the above in the CEO Update.

Item 14.10

Notices of Motion

City of Sydney Nomination Policy

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note there is no current City of Sydney Nomination Policy, approved by Council, that details the process of the City of Sydney nominating representatives to external boards or taskforces, or appointments to City planning or other advisory panels; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - (i) bring a policy to Council, prior to September 2024, detailing the City of Sydney's nominations and appointments process for Council approval; and
 - (ii) include policy commitments to:
 - (a) transparent, public expressions of interest for all appointments and reappointments;
 - (b) gender and diversity equity aligned to City communities, where possible;
 - (c) compliance with City conflict of interest policies, and disclosure requirements;
 - (d) term limits of no more than two, four-year terms;
 - (e) a Council approved skills matrix for each recruitment to progress against;
 - (f) clear Council delegations, aligned to any relevant NSW Government legislation and probity agency advice, about who makes recommendations, decisions and appointments for internal and external appointments;
 - (g) specifying that where the Lord Mayor is consulted, all elected representatives are also consulted;
 - (h) a commitment to share minutes with Councillors via the CEO Update, and that Councillors can attend to observe where not members; and
 - (i) that the policy be reviewed by Council on a bi-annual basis.

Item 14.11

Notices of Motion

Support for Boarding Houses in Sydney

By Councillor Ellsmore

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note that:

- (i) traditional boarding houses continue to play an important role in providing relatively affordable housing in the City of Sydney, and in neighbouring Local Government Areas including the Inner West and Waverley. Traditional boarding houses tend to be established in older buildings with a long history of use as a boarding house, featuring small rooms and shared facilities;
- (ii) in the City of Sydney there are an estimated 294 registered boarding houses with an estimated total of 4,031 rooms;
- (iii) the number of traditional boarding houses are reducing over time, with development applications approved to convert 14 boarding houses to other housing since 2013, and the most recent City of Sydney Housing Audit 2023 finding that 64 boarding house rooms had been removed from the city's nonprivate dwelling stock in the twelve months to June 2023; and
- (iv) in 2023, the City of Sydney Council refused two applications for boarding house conversions in Paddington. There is currently an appeal in the Land and Environment Court by the proponent in relation to the refusal by the City of Sydney of the Development Application to convert the boarding houses at 58-60 and 62-64 Selwyn Street Paddington into four dwellings. These boarding houses currently provide 32 rooms between them;
- (B) Council note that Council has been exploring opportunities to increase protections for traditional boarding houses;

(C) Council note that:

- (i) although they are required to be registered, traditional boarding houses are not formally considered 'affordable housing', because there are no legal requirements that rooms be rented affordably. With Sydney rents at record highs, rising 13 per cent in one year alone, one of the key risks for traditional boarding house tenants is eviction as a result of unaffordable rent increases;
- (ii) the Paddington Society is calling for an immediate moratorium on rent increases for boarding houses, to support boarding houses tenants, many of whom are older, on very low incomes, are living with a disability, and face few or no other housing options if evicted; and

(iii) the Paddington Society is also calling on the City of Sydney to purchase boarding houses at risk of being lost using affordable housing developer contributions;

- (D) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the NSW Minister for Housing and the NSW Rental Commissioner calling for the introduction of an immediate moratorium on rent increases for boarding houses; and
- (E) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - undertake an assessment of options for Council to protect boarding houses through direct purchase, either directly or in coordination with Community Housing Providers, including with the use of affordable housing contributions from development;
 - (ii) provide advice to Council about potential amendments to the Council's affordable housing contribution schemes to encourage permanent protection of boarding houses; and
 - (iii) provide advice to Council about whether there are further potential amendments to Council planning instruments to protect against the loss of boarding houses, including through specific provisions in relation to the draft no net dwelling loss/dwelling retention provisions which are due to go on exhibition later this year.

Item 14.12

Notices of Motion

Increasing Creative Live/Work Spaces

By Councillor Weldon

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the City's draft Cultural Strategy 2025-2035 identifies that unaffordable housing is displacing creative workers. It notes, "While there are efforts at a federal and state level to increase housing supply, our consultation suggests that it will be too late for Sydney's artists if we do not act urgently with cost of living and rent relief":
- (ii) the City's analysis shows that the number of creative artists, musicians, writers and performers living in the City has plunged more than 11 per cent over the last decade. It's been reported that we're the only capital city that has lost creative workers over this time:
- (iii) if we are to maintain a vibrant, diverse and accessible City, we must urgently address the lack of affordable housing for creative workers;
- (iv) the City has a small number of residential properties which it rents to artists and creative practitioners to live and work in the city at below market rental.
 Properties include six one-bedroom apartments on William Street in Darlinghurst and a three-bedroom apartment above Waterloo Library;
- (v) the first tenancies commenced in 2013. Since then, the Creative Live/Work Spaces program has supported 64 mostly early-stage artists and creative workers to hone their practice within the City of Sydney, contributing to the City's cultural life;
- (vi) at the last Expression of Interest, the City received 105 applications for the seven available residences; and
- (vii) the City's draft Cultural Strategy 2025-2035 recommends extending creative/live work tenancies from 18 month to two-year leases and researching affordable housing models to support the creative sector including purpose-built artist housing with live/work or co-located workspace;
- (B) Council commit to expanding the City's Creative Live/Work Spaces Program; and
- (C) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to allocate funding within the 2024/25 budget and Long Term Financial Plan for the acquisition and fit-out of additional properties or the conversion of suitable commercial property within our existing portfolio.

Item 14.13

Notices of Motion

Report on City of Sydney Suppliers and Investments in Relation to the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Campaign and Israel

By Councillor Ellsmore

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note that:
 - on 7 October 2023, Hamas attacks on Israel involved the targeting and death of 1,139 Israelis and foreign nationals including children, and the taking of hostages;
 - (ii) the Israeli military declared "a state of war alert," and moved troops into Gaza. According to the United Nations, to date, the Israeli military operation has resulted deaths of an estimated 37,000 Palestinians, and displaced over two million individuals, with an estimated one million at risk of starvation The International Court of Justice has ruled that all steps to prevent genocide in Gaza must be taken; and
 - (iii) in June 2024, the United Nations Security Council adopted a resolution calling for an immediate, full and complete ceasefire;
- (B) Council note that:
 - (i) on 23 October 2023, Council voted to unanimously support peace in Israel and Gaza;
 - (ii) on 11 December 2023, Council reaffirmed there can be no path to peace without respect for human rights and international law, and urged the Australian Government to support international efforts for an immediate, sustainable and humanitarian ceasefire, to enable peace negotiations and a pathway to achieving lasting peace; and
 - (iii) the impacts of the conflict and the decades of struggle continue to be felt deeply in the Sydney community;
- (C) Council note that the City of Sydney in 2023 adopted an Investment Policy that committed the City to avoiding investments that may involve socially harmful activities, defined as:
 - (i) abuse of Human Rights and Labour Rights;
 - (ii) involvement in bribery/corruption;
 - (iii) production or supply of armaments; and
 - (iv) manufacture of alcohol, tobacco, or gambling products;

(D) Council note that the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights maintains a database of companies involved in one of ten defined activities (paragraph 96 A/HRC/22/63) that raise particular human rights violations concerns regarding Israeli settlements throughout the Occupied Palestinian Territory, with 97 companies currently listed that have, directly and indirectly, enabled, facilitated and profited from the construction and growth of the settlements; and

- (E) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
 - (i) prepare a report for Council on divestments that have or may be undertaken, to ensure that Council's Investment Policy 2023 fully consider companies involved in, or profiting from, any human rights violations including the illegal occupation of the settlements in Palestinian territories, and the supply of weapons;
 - (ii) ensure this report considers both suppliers used by the City of Sydney and the City's investments and contractual obligations;
 - (iii) ensure this report includes advice on any legislative and/or legal considerations that may affect Council's ability to implement restrictions of this nature;
 - (iv) make recommendations, if needed, of changes that Council make to its suppliers and investments, to ensure that Council is not purchasing from companies involved in weapons or human rights abuses; and
 - (v) make recommendations, if needed, about changes to Council investment and procurement policies and practices, to ensure that the ethical screen that the City applies to its procurement and investments adequately cover companies involved in activities that involve human rights violations, including human rights abuses in Palestine; and
 - (vi) report back to the elected Council within three months, or as soon as practical.

Item 14.14

Notices of Motion

Housing Co-Ops in Sydney

By Councillor Ellsmore

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note that:

- (i) housing cooperatives play an important role in keeping housing affordable in cities around the world. They provide 10 per cent of the housing across Europe. More than half of the housing in Vienna is either city-owned flats or cooperative apartments;
- (ii) in Australia, housing cooperatives account for only 0.3 per cent of housing. The recent housing cooperative project by Common Equity and All Nations Housing which the City of Sydney Council unanimously voted to support through the discounted sale of a row of terraces in Darlinghurst - is estimated to be the first new housing cooperative in the inner city in more than 30 years;
- (iii) a recent national study of housing cooperatives, as reported in The Value of Housing Co-operatives in Australia by Professor Louise Crabtree et al, found that cooperative housing's costs were similar to those of other types of community housing, with housing cooperative residents having a generally higher level of satisfaction and agency, compared to other housing tenures, especially renting;
- (iv) the Housing for All Working Group visited a number of inner-city housing cooperatives in 2022. Housing cooperatives in the City of Sydney include but are not limited to Alpha House artist cooperative, Emohrua artist cooperative and STUCCO student cooperative. All were all established with government and institutional support;
- (v) the City of Sydney provided \$31,000 to Cohousing Australia Cooperative Limited in 2022 through our Knowledge Exchange grants to develop practical guidance material to help strengthen the finance of resident-led housing groups and develop cohousing in the Sydney Local Government Area; and
- (vi) the City of Sydney provided \$10,000 to Housing All Australians Limited in 2020 to a study into the long-term cost of not building sufficient social and affordable housing across the City of Sydney, to seek potential social infrastructure investment; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to review and provide advice to Council on opportunities to increase support for housing cooperatives through Council's affordable housing schemes.

Item 14.15

Notices of Motion

Safety Issues Bridge Road Temporary Cycleway, Glebe

By Councillor Weldon

It is resolved that:

- our public duty to ensure that all cycleways (including pop-up cycleways) are safe before and after opening, encouraging cyclists to use them in the reasonable expectation that all safety issues have been fully assessed;
- (ii) the similarly titled October 2023 Council motion documenting serious safety concerns with the Bridge Road Temporary Cycleway;
- (iii) during the four years the cycleway has been operating on Bridge Road there have been several accidents on the cycleway and officials in Transport for NSW and City of Sydney have warned that the temporary cycleway on Bridge Road is dangerous;
- (iv) Transport for NSW datahub reports cyclist usage of the temporary cycleway is low, at approximately 200 trips per day;
- (v) according to NSW Centre for Road Safety data more than 60 documented accidents have occurred on Bridge Road, Glebe in the period from 2018-2022;
- (vi) in March 2022, a few days prior to the planning permission expired, then Minister for Transport Rob Stokes announced the temporary cycleway on Bridge Road would be made permanent, based on the findings of a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) undertaken from October 2020 until early 2022;
- (vii) the REF for the permanent cycleway on Bridge Road was released to the public for the first time as part of the May 2024 Community Update on the cycleway by Transport for NSW in an email advising it "is closer to delivering the upgraded and permanent cycleway on Bridge Road";
- (viii) the REF has been criticised for failing to examine safety issues and negative impacts on resident safety and access to their properties;
- (ix) in April 2023 a Road Safety Auditor who is part of CCHD PTY LTD conducted a so-called Independent Road Safety Audit on the project phase of Preconstruction Detail Design developed by the same company;
- (x) the CCHD PTY LTD audit excluded the following elements:
 - (a) the street lighting design;
 - (b) stormwater drainage regime; and

- (c) right turn turning lane lengths;
- (xi) other issues of concern regarding the thoroughness of the Design Stage Road Safety Audit conducted for Transport for NSW are:
 - (a) no night time inspection was conducted by the auditor contrary to usual practice;
 - (b) vehicle swept path drawings and utility relocations were not provided to the auditor:
 - (c) traffic counts were not provided to the auditor;
 - (d) pre-existing asset protection issues which have significant road safety impacts were not part of the scope; and
 - traffic accidents involving cyclists, motorists and pedestrians were not properly quantified and only included reportable accidents which are 12 months behind real time on the Road Safety website;
- (xii) City staff have repeatedly raised safety concerns about the design proposed by Transport for NSW for a permanent cycleway on Bridge Road Glebe; and
- (xiii) Councillor Weldon has received complaints from residents and cyclists that there was no media release or letterbox drop to the wider Forest Lodge and Glebe community about the timetable for delivering a permanent cycleway on Bridge Road;

(B) Council also note:

- (i) over the past four years, discussions have taken place between the City of Sydney and Transport for NSW officials about banning right hand turns from Bridge Road to Glebe Point Road (in both directions) and westbound on Ross Street due to concerns for safety of cyclists;
- (ii) Transport for NSW have recently advised via an Addendum to the REF that, after construction of the rest of the cycleway is completed, it will implement a trial of shorter right turn bays at the Ross Street and Glebe Point Road intersections, enabling the cycleway to extend closer to intersections, using temporary materials and will be evaluated to determine if there are any safety or traffic congestion issues;
- (iii) Transport for NSW states, if the reduced right turn bays cause safety issues or unacceptable impacts to the road corridor, the temporary materials would be removed, and the length of the right turn bays would be adjusted to be consistent with the Addendum REF design; and
- (iv) if the evaluation determines that the trial of reduced right turn bays is successful, the arrangement would be made permanent. The trial will only commence once the permanent cycleway has been constructed. There is no plan to shorten the bus right hand turn lane into Ross Street;

- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Minister for Transport:
 - (i) noting that the Independent Road Safety Audit conducted in 2023 on the design for the permanent cycleway on Bridge Road Glebe for Transport for NSW did not include in the audit the right turn bays at the Ross Street and Glebe Point Road intersections and other serious safety issues;
 - (ii) emphasising that these issues present sufficient safety concerns for cyclists, pedestrians and motorists that another daytime independent design stage safety audit should be conducted without delay on the proposed design for the permanent cycleway to consider all safety risks prior to construction commencing on the permanent cycleway;
 - (iii) recommending a nighttime independent Road Safety Audit should be conducted on the cycleway design prior to construction commencing because feedback from cyclists, motorists and residents that the lighting scheme on Bridge Road is not of a sufficient standard for safe cycling in the evening and the bus stops present particular safety risks for pedestrians and cyclists; and
 - (iv) noting that not all residents in Glebe are registered for community updates via email and suggest a letter box drop be arranged by Transport to all residences within 1km of the cycleway to inform them about the release of the REF and Addendum REF pertaining to the cycleway and the final design; and
- (D) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to provide an update to Councillors on outstanding safety issues for the Bridge Road Cycleway.