

Item 8

Report of the Cultural and Community Committee - 17 June 2019

Item 8.1

Disclosures of Interest

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Clover Moore, made the following disclosures:

- a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Gene Sherman hosted a fundraising event for the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 Council elections. Gene Sherman is the principal of the Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas Ltd which is recommended for a Festivals and Sponsorship (Artform) sponsorship. The Lord Mayor stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available and would not be voting on this grant item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that a person associated with an entity recommended for a cultural and creative grant made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. The Lord Mayor stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.4 on the agenda, in that a person associated with an entity recommended for a cultural and creative grant made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.4 on the of the agenda, in that two recommended grant recipients (Sydney Story Factory and WEAVE) have received donations from the Lord Mayor's Trust. The Lord Mayor stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until the committee papers were made available.

Councillor Philip Thalys made the following disclosures:

- a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that the founder and principal of one of the recipients (being Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas) hosted a fundraising event for the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 Local Government election. Councillor Thalys stated that he was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available and would not be voting on this grant item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, as a person involved with the management of one of the recipients made a non-reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team campaign at the 2016 City of Sydney Elections. Councillor Thalys stated that he was not contacted by these recipients about these grants, nor was he aware of them until committee papers were made available.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, specifically relating to the grant recommended to the University of New South Wales (UNSW) as Councillor Thalys is a Fractional Professor at UNSW. Councillor Thalys stated that he was not contacted by these recipients about these grants, nor was he aware of them until committee papers were made available.

Councillor Jess Scully made the following disclosures:

- a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that the founder and principal of the Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas hosted a fundraising event for the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 Local Government election. Councillor Scully stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available and would not be voting on this grant item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, as a person associated with an entity recommended for a cultural and creative grant made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election.

Councillor Jess Miller made the following disclosures:

- a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that the founder and principal of one of the recipients (being Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas) hosted a fundraising event for the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 Local Government election. Councillor Miller stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available and would not be voting on this grant item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, as a person involved with the management of one of the recipients made a non-reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team campaign at the 2016 City of Sydney Elections. Councillor Miller stated that she was not contacted by this recipient about this grant, nor was she aware of them until the committee papers were made available.
- a significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 on the agenda, in that Councillor Miller is a board member of one of the recipients, being Newtown Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated. Councillor Miller stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available and would not be voting on this item.

Councillor Robert Kok made the following disclosures:

- a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that the founder and principal of the Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas hosted a fundraising event for the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 Local Government election. Councillor Kok stated that he was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available and would not be voting on this grant item.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, as a person associated with an entity recommended for a culture and creative grant made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 elections.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, as a board member of one of the recommended recipients namely the Australian Design Centre, was a member of the Clover Moore Independent Team and former Councillor that Councillor Kok has worked with. Councillor Kok stated that he was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available and confirmed that he has not been contacted by the recipient about this grant.

Councillor Kerryn Phelps made the following disclosures:

- a significant, non-pecuniary interest in item 8.2 on the agenda, in that Gene Sherman hosted a fundraising event for the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 Council elections. Councillor Phelps stated that she is no longer a member of the Clover Moore Independent Team. Gene Sherman is the principal of the Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas Ltd which is recommended for a Festivals and Sponsorship (Artform) sponsorship. Councillor Phelps stated that she was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available.

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.2 on the agenda, in that a person associated with an entity recommended for a cultural and creative grant made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Councillor Phelps stated that she is no longer a member of the Clover Moore Independent Team and was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.4 on the agenda, in that a person associated with an entity recommended for a cultural and creative grant made a less than reportable donation to the Clover Moore Independent Team prior to the 2016 election. Councillor Phelps stated that she is no longer a member of the Clover Moore Independent Team and was not aware of this recommendation until committee papers were made available.

Councillor Linda Scott made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant, non-pecuniary disclosure in Item 8.4 on the agenda, as Councillor Scott is a member of the Jessie St Women's Library.
- a less than significant, non-pecuniary disclosure in Item 8.4 on the agenda, as Councillor Scott was formerly the Chair of the Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre.

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

The Sub-Committee recommends the following:-

Item 8.2

Grants and Sponsorship - Round One 2019/20 - Cultural Grants

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council adopt the recommendation as detailed in the subject report to the Cultural and Community Committee on 17 June 2019 and the Information Relevant To Item 2 – Grants and Sponsorship – Round One 2019/20 – Cultural Grants dated 17 June 2019, from the Director City Life, as circulated prior to the meeting, except for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship (Artform) Grant to the Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to determine the Festival and Events Sponsorship (Artform) Grant to the Sherman Centre for Culture and Ideas, in accordance with Clause 4.35 of the City of Sydney Code of Conduct.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee, this alternative recommendation was moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Miller, and carried unanimously.)

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The Sub-Committee recommends the following:-

Item 8.3

Major Events and Festivals Charity Partnerships

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the appointment of Surf Life Saving NSW as the Charity Partner for Sydney Christmas 2019;
- (B) Council approve the appointment of Refugee Council of Australia as the Charity Partner for Sydney New Year's Eve 2019;
- (C) Council approve the appointment of The Fred Hollows Foundation as the Charity Partner for the 2020 Sydney Lunar Festival; and
- (D) authority to be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into agreements with Surf Life Saving NSW, Refugee Council of Australia and Fred Hollows Foundation to establish their Charity Partner status for the respective events.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Miller, and carried unanimously.)

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The Sub-Committee recommends the following:-

Item 8.4

Grants and Sponsorship - Round One 2019/20 – Social Grants

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and revenue foregone/value-in-kind recommendations for the Community Services Grant Program as per Attachment A to the subject report.
- (B) Council approve the cash and revenue foregone/value-in-kind recommendations for the Festivals and Events Sponsorship Program (Village and Community) Program as per Attachment C to the subject report, subject to the grant to the Alexandria's Residents Group for the Alexandria Sunday Funday being increased from \$7,000 per annum over three years, to \$10,000 per annum over three years;
- (C) Council approve the cash and revenue foregone/value-in-kind recommendations for the Matching Grant Program as per Attachment E to the subject report;
- (D) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST and all value-in-kind offered is subject to availability; and
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee, this alternative recommendation was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Scully, and carried on the following show of hands –

Ayes (6) The Lord Mayor, Councillors Kok, Scott, Scully, Thalís and Vithoukás

Noes (3) Councillors Chung, Forster and Phelps

Motion carried.)

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The Sub-Committee recommends the following:-

Item 8.5

Accommodation Grant Program - Annual Performance Review and Lease Renewals 2019

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the continuation of the current Accommodation Grant leases/licences for the 76 tenants that have met the performance criteria of their Accommodation grants or that have been placed 'on notice' and are continuing in the Program;
- (B) Council approve a renewal of the Accommodation Grant for In The Pipeline (Arts) Ltd for Reginald Murphy Centre, 19 Greenknowe Street, Elizabeth Bay for five years up to June 2024 as outlined below noting that all amounts are per annum:

	Market Rental Value	Grant Subsidy	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1 – June - Dec 2019 *6 months only	\$44,000.00	77%	\$33,880.00	\$10,120.00
Year 1 – Jan - June 2020 *6 months only	\$44,000.00	57%	\$25,080.00	\$18,920.00
Year 2 - 2020/2021	\$90,640.00	57%	\$51,664.80	\$38,975.20
Year 3 - 2021/2022	\$93,359.20	57%	\$53,214.74	\$40,144.46
Year 4 - 2022/2023	\$96,159.98	57%	\$54,811.19	\$41,348.79
Year 5 - 2023/2024	\$99,044.78	57%	\$56,455.52	\$42,589.25

- (C) Council approve a renewal of the Accommodation Grant for Radio Eastern Sydney Cooperative Limited for Paddington Town Hall, 247 Oxford Street, Paddington from July 2019 for five years up to June 2024 as outlined below noting that all amounts are per annum:

	Market Rental Value	Grant Subsidy	Grant Amount	Rent to be paid
Year 1	\$34,200.00	86%	\$29,412.00	\$4,788.00
Year 2	\$35,226.00	86%	\$30,294.36	\$4,931.64
Year 3	\$36,282.78	86%	\$31,203.19	\$5,079.59
Year 4	\$37,371.26	86%	\$32,139.29	\$5,231.98
Year 5	\$38,492.40	86%	\$33,103.47	\$5,388.94

- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for an Accommodation Grant on terms consistent with this resolution and in accordance with the Grants and Sponsorship Policy.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Kok, and carried unanimously.)

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The Sub-Committee recommends the following:-

Item 8.6

Public Exhibition - Markets Policy

It is resolved that Council endorse for public exhibition the draft Markets Policy as shown at Attachment A to the subject report for a period of 28 days.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Scully, seconded by Councillor Miller, varied by consent and carried unanimously.)

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