

## Item 12.3

### Notices of Motion

#### Alternatives for New Year's Eve Fireworks

By Councillor Chung

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
- (i) the 2019 New Year's Eve Fireworks display were considered the most controversial as the event was permitted to go ahead at the height of the bushfire crisis despite calls for it to be cancelled by the community;
  - (ii) drone shows are gradually becoming more common as alternatives to fireworks displays due to their minimal noise and environmental disruption. Between 2015 and 2018, Intel's 'Shooting Star' drones have performed more than 300 shows in 16 countries;
  - (iii) notable drone show performances include the 2018 Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang South Korea and the 2018 Fourth of July show in Aspen, Colorado which was done as a safer alternative in the midst of a fire ban due to the North American wildfires; and
  - (iv) to date, there have been no large-scale drone shows that have been performed in Australia;
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate environmentally-sustainable and non-explosive alternatives, such as drone shows, for future New Year's Eve celebrations and provide a report back to Council.

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