Council 9 March 2020

## Item 12.9

## **Notices of Motion**

## **Reactivation of Haymarket**

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

## (A) Council note:

- businesses in Haymarket contribute considerably to the success of the City of Sydney's local economy;
- (ii) fear of COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) is resulting in reduced foot traffic in Haymarket;
- (iii) some business owners in Haymarket are reporting an 80 per cent reduction in patronage;
- (iv) there is no additional risk of contracting COVID-19 in Haymarket compared to any other area in Sydney;
- (v) that there have only been 22 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in NSW as of 4 March 2020;
- (vi) our recent Lunar New Year celebrations in the City of Sydney are a great example of how the City of Sydney Council can activate Haymarket; and
- (vii) the City of Sydney Council is dedicated to continuing to support the Chinese business community in Haymarket by encouraging people to visit this area;
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
  - (i) in consultation with the Haymarket Chamber of Commerce, urgently investigate the ways in which the City can support the activation of Haymarket; and
  - (ii) report back to Councillors on actions taken via the CEO update.

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