Item 9

Questions on Notice

Construction Timeline for Multi-Purpose Synthetic Field at Crescent Park, Annandale

1. By Councillor Phelps

Question

At the 28 October 2019 Council meeting, Council approved the commencement of concept designs for a multi-purpose synthetic field at Crescent Park, Annandale, and to investigate the feasibility of modifying the proposed pitch to meet the International Hockey Federation's (FIH) requirements of a Hockey5s pitch in consultation with Glebe Hockey Club.

On 18 November 2019, Council was provided with a draft timeline for delivery of this field.

Council was recently notified that the City has recently applied for the Federal Government stimulus funding for this project, should this be successful a revised program will be developed for this project with a view to complete it sooner than that proposed in the above Council reports.

Can the Chief Executive Officer advise on:

- 1. When is the stimulus funding expected to be decided on by the Federal Government?
- 2. If the federal funding is approved, when is the Crescent Park synthetic turf project likely to go ahead?
- 3. Given the Council is bringing forward \$23 million in capital works, will the Crescent Park synthetic turf project be one of the projects that will be fast tracked?

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Central Sydney Planning Framework – Heritage Floor Space

2. By Councillor Phelps

Question

On Monday 9 December 2019, a Lord Mayoral Minute was endorsed by Council, which outlined a way forward between Lord Mayor Clover Moore and the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to ensure future growth occurs where it respects special places, spaces and parkland, and is highly sustainable, resilient and responsive to climate change. With the significant investment in transport infrastructure, Central Sydney must support more jobs, while maintaining quality of life.

On 17 February 2020, Council endorsed a draft Central Sydney Planning Framework of documents.

Further changes were made to the draft Central Sydney Development Contributions Plan 2020 on 30 March 2020. The new Central Sydney planning documents were put on exhibition from 1 May to 10 July 2020.

Could the Chief Executive Officer please advise:

- 1. If the Heritage Floor Space Scheme is being abandoned in the proposed changes to Central Sydney Planning Controls?
- 2. If there can be an extension to the deadline for feedback from the community about the changes to the Central Sydney Planning Controls?

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Moore Park Road Cycleway

3. By Councillor Phelps

Question

Following a Lord Mayoral Minute of 15 May 2020, pop-up cycleways were identified by Transport for NSW (TfNSW) and the City as part of a solution to ease demand for public transport as the NSW Government eases restrictions on business activity following the Covid-19 lockdown.

There has been significant community opposition to the City of Sydney and Transport for NSW proposal for a temporary cycleway along Moore Park Road and Fitzroy Street between Lang Road, Paddington and Bourke Street, Surry Hills, due to the adverse impact the popup cycleway will have on the local community, including a mass loss of parking spaces and a lack of consultation before construction began on the temporary cycleway.

In June 2017, Council unanimously resolved to endorse the concept design and scope of works for the Bondi Junction to City Walking and Cycling Improvements project that included a separated cycleway along Moore Park Road. This proposal, which involved no loss of parking, was widely supported by local residents. The final design for this proposal is still in development and its construction is dependent on funding by the NSW Government.

In the 17 July 2020 CEO Update, Councillors were informed that, while no decision has been made on this scheme, Transport for NSW are reviewing the viability of the 2017 cycleway proposal. This is due to the consulted version of the cycleway carrying a high level of risk as it will require deep excavation near critical Sydney water and power services and would require several years of nightworks. This means the cost estimates significantly exceed the upper limit of the Transport for NSW funding business case.

There is currently an open consultation on the Council website on the pop-up cycleways which closes at 5pm on Monday 31 August 2020.

Could the Chief Executive Officer please advise:

- 1. When did the City become aware that the NSW Government had no intention with proceeding with the consulted design for a permanent cycleway on Moore Park Road?
- 2. What briefings have been provided to Council on the technical feasibility of the consulted cycleway?

3. What plans will be made public on the technical feasibility of the consulted cycleway?

- 4. How is the City planning to provide notice for a consultation on making the temporary pop-up cycleways permanent?
- 5. Will the City be conducting an addressed mail out to residents and ratepayers in the areas impacted by the temporary pop-up cycleways, notifying them of the public exhibition and consultation in relation to any proposal to make the temporary pop-up cycleway permanent?
- 6. Given that the Moore Park Road temporary pop-up cycleway has been implemented within the Furber Road Conservation Area and the Paddington South Heritage Conservation Area, will the City be conducting a heritage impact study and provide a Statement of Heritage Impact in relation to any proposal to make the temporary pop-up cycleway permanent?
- 7. Will previously provided feedback on the pop-up cycleway be considered?

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City Apprentices Employment

4. By Councillor Scott

Question

The City is an incredibly large employer; how many apprentices or trainees does the City currently employ broken down by:

- 1. How many apprentices or trainees does the City currently employ overall?
- 2. How many are in their 1st year, 2nd year, 3rd year, etc.?
- 3. How many people have completed their vocational trade studies with the City?
- 4. How many apprentices are employed in which trade sectors?
- 5. What percentage of the above-mentioned cohorts are female?

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Affordable Housing Supporting by City Funding

5. By Councillor Scott

Question

Please update the Council on the number of affordable housing dwellings supported by City funding, broken down by:

- 1. Suburb.
- 2. Which dwellings are completed and currently inhabited?
- 3. Which dwellings are completed and empty?
- 4. Provide an update on the City's plan to house people in these empty dwellings.
- 5. Which dwellings are in development?
- 6. Please provide a timeline for when the dwellings in development will be completed.

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Budget for Climate Change

6. By Councillor Scott

Question

Please update the Council on the 2020/21 budget allocations for action on dangerous climate change.

- 1. What plans are currently in action?
- 2. What plans haven't started yet?
- 3. What is the timeline for these plans, started or not, to be completed?

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Local Procurement

7. By Councillor Scott

Question

Please update the Council on the City's procurement spending broken down by:

- 1. City of Sydney.
- 2. States.
- 3. Australian.
- 4. International.
- 5. Financial year: 2018, 2019, 2020.

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Public Access to City Facilities

8. By Councillor Scott

Question

Please update the Council on how many days each City facility is open to the public broken down by:

- 1. Those with a City community grant. Please advise how much the City has granted them.
- 2. Financial year: 2018/19 and 2019/20.
- 3. Suburb.

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