

Item 13.1

Notices of Motion

State Government Changes to Bus Routes

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the NSW Government has released details on an integrated network plan for Sydney's South East that will affect key bus routes for the City of Sydney;
- (ii) residents in the City of Sydney suburbs of Alexandria, Botany, Redfern, Rosebery, Surry Hills, Waterloo and Zetland will be directly impacted by the proposed changes;
- (iii) a number of routes will be changed or lost altogether significantly impacting vulnerable City of Sydney residents including:
 - (a) 301, 302 and 303 services will be lost completely affecting Redfern, Waterloo, Zetland and Rosebery residents;
 - (b) 309 will no longer operate between Redfern and Central;
 - (c) Surry Hills residents will lose a number of bus services including routes 309, 338, 372, 376, 391, 393 and 395;
 - (d) 370 route – used to run from Coogee to Leichardt via the University of Sydney – will no longer operate from University of Sydney to Leichardt impacting residents who used to travel to Coogee from Glebe and Newtown and residents who also want to travel between Glebe and Newtown easily;
 - (e) 418 – will no longer operate between Sydenham and Kingsford impacting residents in Alexandria; and
 - (f) 389 route no longer services the Pyrmont Bay Ferry Wharf nor the West end of the Pyrmont Bridge;
- (iv) these changes to bus routes will drastically decrease accessibility in the local area, leaving many people, including the most vulnerable, increasingly isolated and disconnected;
- (v) an integrated transport network, including regular bus services, is crucial to creating a sustainable city and accommodate the high growth in residents, workers and visitors to the local area in the future; and
- (vi) a key role for the City is to make representations on behalf of residents to other levels of government; and

- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian and Minister for Transport Andrew Constance:
- (i) reiterating Council's support for stronger public transport links in the City of Sydney;
 - (ii) requesting funding for Green Square Light Rail, an additional Green Square rail stop be committed to and key and key bus routes preserved;
 - (iii) detailing concerns about the impact the changes to the bus routes will have on City of Sydney residents and visitors;
 - (iv) calling for the 301, 302 and 303 services affecting Roseberry, Zetland, Waterloo and Redfern residents to be retained;
 - (v) calling for the 309 service to continue operating between Redfern and Central;
 - (vi) calling for the 309, 338, 372, 376, 391, 393 and 395 services affecting Surry Hills residents to be retained;
 - (vii) calling for the 418 service to continue operating between Sydenham and Kingsford via Alexandria;
 - (viii) calling for the 389 service to continue servicing the Pyrmont Bay Ferry Wharf and the West end of the Pyrmont Bridge;
 - (ix) calling for the 370 route to continue operating from Coogee to Leichhardt via Glebe;
 - (x) calling on the NSW Government to extend the community consultation period for the changes due the significant impact on the community;
 - (xi) calling for bus frequency on all routes be increased to provide a better level of service for City of Sydney residents; and
 - (xii) asking the NSW Government to listen to the community and reconsider the proposed changes.

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