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**City of Sydney to Department of Premier
and Cabinet (27 August 2021)**

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Mr Tim Reardon
Secretary
Department of Premier and Cabinet
GPO Box 5341
SYDNEY NSW 2001

By email: 

Dear Mr Reardon,

Sydney New Year's Eve 2021

I refer to your letter of 22 July regarding Sydney New Year's Eve 2021.

Following our meeting with Department of Premier and Cabinet on 29 July, the City will undertake the management of all aspects of the 2021 Sydney New Year's Eve event.

The City will proceed with plans similar to last year's event managed by the NSW Government. It will consist of a midnight only fireworks display, with no 9pm fireworks, and this event will be centred around Circular Quay. Similar to last year's event, there will be a potentially shortened display with reduced fireworks barges along the harbour, in order to limit the physical footprint of the event.

As was agreed in our meeting of 29 July, a Public Health Order will be required to limit the number of attendees to a percentage of possible capacity, and ensure ticketing is required for all guests. We request Department of Premier and Cabinet continue to manage the process to negotiate the appropriate terms of the Public Health Order with NSW Health. The City will provide any information required.

We request that Service NSW assist and work with the City if the implementation and management of city wide ticketing and zoning requirements as per 2020 are required.

The assistance of the Department of Premier and Cabinet will be required to ensure that NSW Police are able to implement additional policing requirements at short notice should audience capacities change from those outlined in the Public Health Order.

These considerations will ensure the event proceeds in a way which is resilient in the face of the continuing uncertainty, allowing stakeholders and businesses to formulate plans and successfully implement them. We will incorporate the above into the memorandum of understanding between the City of Sydney and Department of Premier and Cabinet for the delivery of New Year's Eve.

Should your staff wish to speak with a Council officer about Sydney New Year's Eve 2021 please contact Stephen Gilby, Executive Producer Major Events and Festivals on 9265 9333 or at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "P. M. Barone". The letters are cursive and slightly slanted to the right.

Monica Barone
Chief Executive Officer