

## Item 11.3

### Notices of Motion

#### FOGO Food Recycling

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) food scraps currently account for 40 per cent of the makeup of household bins in Australia and have detrimental impacts on our environment due to the production of toxins, leachate and green house gases;
- (ii) in the National Waste Policy Action Plan, the Australian Government along with states and territories have agreed to the introduction of FOGO collection services to households and businesses by 2023;
- (iii) the City of Sydney area produces more than 5,500 tonnes of waste every day and contributes to approximately 8 per cent of the city's total greenhouse gas emissions;
- (iv) the City of Sydney's 'Leave Nothing to Waste' Strategy and Action Plan 2017 – 2030 identified two priority areas,
  - (a) Improving recycling outcomes; and
  - (b) Promote innovation to avoid waste;
- (v) the City currently delivers a fortnightly garden organics (GO) service which is available to all residential properties within the Local Government Area; 5567 (30 per cent) single unit dwellings and 789 (44 per cent) multi-unit dwellings use this service;
- (vi) on 29 July 2019, the City commenced a trial food scraps (FO) collection service for selected residential properties, which concluded on 31 October 2021;
- (vii) the trial service has continued for properties already receiving the service, with 1005 (5.5 per cent) single unit dwellings and 207 (11.5 per cent) multi-unit dwellings participating in the service;
- (viii) in the 2021 calendar year, the City collected 1709 tonnes of garden organic waste and 475 tonnes of food waste; and
- (ix) that full household FOGO collection is currently undertaken by a large number of NSW councils, including the Inner West Council, Woollahra, Randwick, Penrith, Dubbo, Forbes, Parkes and Bega Valley Shires;

- (B) Council, in line with the National Waste Policy Action Plan, commit to providing food organic and organics waste recycling (FOGO) to City of Sydney households during the current term of Council; and
- (C) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to report back to Council via the CEO Update on progress to achieve this objective and on how the transition to FOGO can be implemented in the Council's budgets between now and the 2023/2024 budget.

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