

Item 4.1

City of Sydney Advisory Panels and Working Groups - Appointment of Members

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Memorandum by the Chief Executive Officer

To Council:

On 21 February 2022, Council resolved to establish a number of new advisory panels, committees and a working group in addition to Council's existing advisory panels and committees, each with Council appointed Councillor representatives. The Lord Mayor (or delegate) is also a member of these panels, committees and working groups.

Recruitment for new Advisory Panel members through a call for nominations was open for two weeks from Thursday 17 March 2022 to Friday 1 April 2022 and advertised through print, online and social media channels and via City of Sydney e-newsletters.

Applications for membership to the newly established Advisory Panels were assessed by City staff.

Existing Advisory Panel memberships were also reviewed and considered in accordance with each Advisory Panel's requirements.

Council also endorsed Terms of Reference for these Advisory Panels on 21 March 2022. The Terms of Reference have been further reviewed, and where required, minor amendments to Terms of Reference have been made.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Panel

In June 2008, Council resolved to establish an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Panel. The panel's purpose is to provide advice on the policies and operations of the City of Sydney in relation to matters of importance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

On 21 March 2022, Council endorsed expanding the membership of the Advisory Panel to include a representative from the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council and to incorporate Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander representatives to the Panel with expertise in reconciliation action, Indigenous employment, Indigenous procurement, Aboriginal business development and public art.

It is recommended that the term of the current Panel members be extended to 31 December 2022. This will enable a robust Expression of Interest process to be conducted for a new Panel term from 2023, incorporating the proposed updated membership of the Panel.

This approach was endorsed by the Advisory Panel on 8 June 2022.

Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel

The Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel was established by Council in February 2022.

The primary role of the Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel (the advisory panel) is to provide high-level independent expert advice to the City of Sydney (the City) on the implementation of Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision through the actions of the City of Sydney Economic Strategy.

This Panel will provide an opportunity for the City of Sydney to proactively seek expert advice from representatives who are key to real and sustained economic recovery.

The recommended Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel comprises up to 16 members, plus four nominees, all with relevant experience and expertise inclusive of the Lord Mayor (or delegate) and Councillor Shauna Jarrett.

Minor amendments to the Terms of Reference are also proposed.

It is recommended that Council endorse the appointment of members of the Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor and Councillors to appoint additional members as required and endorse the revised Terms of Reference.

Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel

The Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel was established by Council in February 2022.

The purpose of the Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel will be to provide strategic advice on making space for culture and focus on addressing the loss of creative employment floor space in Sydney which is a critical issue that has been exacerbated by the pandemic.

The Panel will help set the pathway for the City's contribution over the medium term to cultural infrastructure programs and sustainable recovery of the City's creative and cultural life.

The recommended Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel comprises up to 20 members, all with relevant experience and expertise inclusive of the Lord Mayor (or delegate) and Councillor HY William Chan.

Minor amendments to the Terms of Reference are also proposed.

It is recommended that Council endorse the appointment of members of the Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor and Councillors to appoint additional members as required and endorse the revised Terms of Reference.

Design Advisory Panel

The Design Advisory Panel was established by Council in 2007 to provide the City with high level independent expert advice and expertise on urban design, architecture, landscape architecture, art and sustainability. The advice is to inform the assessment by City officers of development applications with a view to promoting the delivery of world class urban design, architecture and sustainable and inclusive design in Sydney's buildings and public spaces. The advice is to inform the assessment process and advise on strategies and policies affecting the City's built environment and public domain. It is not the purpose of the Panel to have any role in the process of determination of development applications.

It is recommended that Council endorse the reappointment of the existing members of the Design Advisory Panel for a further two years, endorse the appointment of a new First Nations member, endorse the reappointment of the Chair and Deputy Chair for a further two years, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint one additional Design Advisory Panel member and appoint any new members of the Design Advisory Panel within the two year term should the need arise and endorse the revised Terms of Reference

Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee

The Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee was established by Council in 2017 to provide high level independent expert advice and expertise on urban design, architecture, landscape architecture and sustainability for SEPP 65 and similar residential applications. This advice assists the City in its promotion and delivery of high-quality built environments and design excellence. The Sub-Committee supports and supplements the Design Advisory Panel, with the Panel Chair being a member of the Design Advisory Panel.

It is recommended that Council endorse the reappointment of the existing members of the Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee for a further two years, endorse the reappointment of the Chair for a further two years, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint two additional members to the Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee and endorse the revised Terms of Reference.

Housing for All Working Group

The Housing for All Working Group was established by Council in February 2022.

The primary role of the Housing for All Working Group (the working group) is to bring together industry leaders and experts to share knowledge and provide strategic, expert advice and guidance to the City of Sydney (the City) on the development of agreed strategies and initiatives to increase the supply of affordable and diverse housing (including social housing) within the City of Sydney Local Government Area.

The recommended Housing for All Working Group comprises up to 13 members, all with relevant experience and expertise inclusive of the Lord Mayor (or delegate) and Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore.

Minor amendments to the Terms of Reference are also proposed.

It is recommended that Council endorse the appointment of members of the Housing for All Working Group, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor and Councillors to appoint additional members as required and endorse the revised Terms of Reference.

Multicultural Advisory Panel

The Multicultural Advisory Panel was established by Council in February 2022.

The primary role of the Multicultural Advisory Panel is to provide advice on policies and operations of the City of Sydney in relation to matters of importance to culturally diverse communities.

The recommended Multicultural Advisory Panel comprises up to 13 members, all with relevant experience and expertise inclusive of the Lord Mayor (or delegate) and Councillor Robert Kok.

Minor amendments to the Terms of Reference are also proposed.

It is recommended that Council endorse the appointment of members of the Multicultural Advisory Panel, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor and Councillors to appoint additional members as required and endorse the revised Terms of Reference.

Public Art Advisory Panel

The Public Art Advisory Panel was established by Council in 2007 to provide the City of Sydney with independent expert advice on public art.

The Panel meets regularly and provides advice on the City's public art program (City Art), in particular the development and implementation of the Green Square Public Art Strategy, City Centre Public Art Plan, the Eora Journey: Recognition in the Public Domain program and oversight on management and conservation of the City's public art collection.

The Panel assists the City in offering advice on unsolicited public art proposals and the assessment of public art proposals in private developments, ensuring a high standard of public art in the public spaces of our City. The Panel has been integral to the implementation of the City Art Public Art Strategy 2011, a key action from Sustainable Sydney 2030 and has assisted in the development of the Sustainable Sydney 2030-2050 Continuing the Vision.

It is recommended that Council endorse the reappointment of seven existing members of the Public Art Advisory Panel for a further two years, endorse the reappointment of the Chair for a further two years, endorse the appointment of a Deputy Chair, approve the appointment of two new members (one nominated below replacing Leon Paroissien who has elected not to be reappointed) to ensure further cultural diversity, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint an additional member and any new members of the Public Art Advisory Panel within the two year term should the need arise and endorse the revised Terms of Reference.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council endorse the extension of the following members of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Panel: Timothy Gray, Bronwyn Penrith, Matthew Doyle, Jinny-Jane Smith, Dallas Wellington, Ashlee Donohue, Medika Thorpe, Suzy Evans, Beau James, Daniel Coe, Ryan Donohue-Pitt and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council representative to 31 December 2022;
- (B) Council endorse the appointment of the following members of the Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel: Creel Price, Michael Bromley, Ehssan Veiszadeh, Karl Schlothauer, Paul Nicolaou, Chris Low, Matt Jones, Belinda Clarke, Lauren Conceicao, Sharon Taylor,, Paul Zahra, Kirsten Andrews, Deb Zimmer, Annie Parker, Anita Mitchell and Deb Barwick for a three-year term to 30 June 2025;
- (C) Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference - Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel as shown at Attachment A to the subject memorandum;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor and Councillors, to appoint one additional member (Supply Nation representative) to the Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel for a three-year term to 30 June 2025;

- (E) Council endorse the appointment of the following members of the Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel: Joshua Chapman, Emily Collins, Jess Cook, Christine Donnelly, Melissa Gilbert, Timothy Greer, David Hollingsworth, Ben Moore, Hellen Morgan-Harris, Ash Nicholson, Erika Pawley, JD Reforma, Michelle Tabet, Fiona Winning, James Winter and Toby Cedar for a three-year term to 30 June 2025;
- (F) Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference – Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel as shown at Attachment B to the subject memorandum;
- (G) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor and Councillors, to appoint one additional member (Bangarra Dance Theatre representative) to the Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel for a three-year term to 30 June 2025;
- (H) Council endorse the reappointment of the following members of the Design Advisory Panel for a further two-year term: Professor Ken Maher (Chair), Peter Mould (Deputy Chair), Professor Kerry Clare, Professor Richard Johnson, Professor James Weirick, Rachel Neeson, Che Wall, and NSW Government Architect Abbie Galvin for a further two-year term to 30 June 2024;
- (I) Council endorse the reappointment of Professor Ken Maher as Chair of the Design Advisory Panel and Peter Mould as Deputy Chair of the Design Advisory Panel for a further two-year term to 30 June 2024;
- (J) Council endorse the appointment of Emily McDaniel as a new member of the Design Advisory Panel for a two-year term to 30 June 2024;
- (K) Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference - Design Advisory Panel as shown at Attachment C to the subject memorandum;
- (L) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint one additional member to the Design Advisory Panel for a two-year term to 30 June 2024 and any new members of the Design Advisory Panel within the two year term should the need arise;
- (M) Council endorse the reappointment of the following members of the Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee: Professor Kerry Clare (Chair), Dr Libby Gallagher, Matthew Pullinger, Dr Michael Zanardo, Paul Berkemeier, Alexander Koll and Tony Caro for a further two-year term to 30 June 2024;
- (N) Council endorse the reappointment of Professor Kerry Clare as Chair of the Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee for a further two-year term to 30 June 2024;
- (O) Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference - Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee as shown at Attachment D to the subject memorandum
- (P) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint two additional Design Advisory Panel members to the Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee;
- (Q) Council endorse the appointment of the following members of the Housing For All Working Group: Paul Coe, Mark Degotardi, David Jeffrey, Joanna McClennen, Monique Wiseman, Michael Zanardo, Luke Achterstraat and Stacey Miers for a three-year term to 30 June 2025;

- (R) Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference – Housing For All Working Group as shown at Attachment E to the subject memorandum;
- (S) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor and Councillors, to appoint two additional members (Shelter NSW and Tenants Union representatives) to the Housing For All Working Group for a three-year term to 30 June 2025;
- (T) Council endorse the appointment of the following members of the Multicultural Advisory Panel: Afeeya Akhand, Kris Balakrishnan, Bill Yan, Mary Karras, Annette Kalczynska, Darren Kong, Bilquis Ghani, Limin Mao, Samantha Sukkarieh, Nickie Flambouras and Binette Diop for a three-year term to 30 June 2025;
- (U) Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference - Multicultural Advisory Panel as shown at Attachment F to the subject memorandum;
- (V) Council endorse the reappointment of the following members of the Public Art Advisory Panel: Felicity Fenner (Chair); Tony Albert; Judith Blackall; Lisa Havilah; Professor Richard Johnson; Janet Laurence and Anne Loxley for a further two-year term to 30 June 2024;
- (W) Council endorse the reappointment of Felicity Fenner as Chair and Anne Loxley as Deputy Chair of the Public Art Advisory Panel for a further term of two years to 30 June 2024;
- (X) Council endorse the appointment of Louise Zhang as a new member of the Public Art Advisory Panel for a two-year term to 30 June 2024;
- (Y) Council endorse the revised Terms of Reference - Public Art Advisory Panel, as shown at Attachment G to the subject memorandum; and
- (Z) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Lord Mayor, to appoint an additional member and any new members of the Public Art Advisory Panel within the two year term should the need arise.

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Chief Executive Officer

Attachments

- Attachment A.** Revised Terms of Reference - Business, Economic Development and Covid Recovery Advisory Panel
- Attachment B.** Revised Terms of Reference – Cultural and Creative Sector Advisory Panel
- Attachment C.** Revised Terms of Reference - Design Advisory Panel
- Attachment D.** Revised Terms of Reference - Design Advisory Panel Residential Sub-Committee

Attachment E. Revised Terms of Reference – Housing For All Working Group

Attachment F. Revised Terms of Reference – Multicultural Advisory Panel

Attachment G. Revised Terms of Reference - Public Art Advisory Panel