## Item 12.5

## **Notices of Motion**

## Support for Equity Ticketing through City of Sydney Programs and Venues

By Councillor Ellsmore

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council notes that:
  - (i) the City of Sydney is committed to ensuring equitable participation in the cultural life of the city by all members of the community;
  - a range of community members face social or financial barriers to attending cultural events, including those who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, people from underrepresented culturally and linguistically diverse communities (including people from migrant and refugee backgrounds and/or people of colour); trans and/or gender diverse people; and/or those living with disability;
  - (iii) the City of Sydney provides support for cultural activities through a range of Grants and Sponsorship Programs, and through access to City-owned properties, including iconic venues such as the Sydney Town Hall; and
  - (iv) 'equity ticket' programs support participation in the cultural life of the city by setting aside free or low-cost tickets to cultural performances for members of the community who might otherwise by unable to attend; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
  - provide advice to Council regarding the establishment of an 'equity ticket' program for cultural performances supported or enabled by the City of Sydney; and
  - (ii) include in the advice to Council:
    - (a) opportunities to facilitate equity ticketing through Council's Grants and Sponsorship Program;
    - (b) opportunities to facilitate equity ticketing at cultural performances held at Council-owned venues; and
    - (c) estimated costs that would be associated with establishing a City of Sydney equity ticket program.

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