

Item 11.9**Notices of Motion****Off-Leash Dog Areas – Hyde Park and The Domain**

By Councillor Gannon

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the City of Sydney dog owning community has rapidly grown since the beginning of the pandemic with many residents getting dogs for companionship;
- (ii) our CBD and immediate surrounds are primarily comprised of high-density apartments, stressing the need for green open space for residents and dogs alike;
- (iii) while the City has 44 dog parks, including the Cook and Phillip Park, many residents have found these parks to be at capacity during peak times, especially residents in the CBD; and
- (iv) that there is a need to expand off-leash open spaces for dogs in the CBD area, specifically around The Domain and Hyde Park; and

(B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:

- (i) investigate options to make parts of Hyde Park an off-leash zone; and
- (ii) write to The Royal Botanical Gardens Trust requesting that an area of The Domain be turned into a timed off-leash dog zone.

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