Item 11.1

Notices of Motion

Protecting Explorer Street Public Housing

By Councillor Scott

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
 - (i) Explorer Street currently includes 46 town house formation social housing residences;
 - the Explorer Street area is mixed between social housing and public open space maintained by the City of Sydney but partly owned by the Land and Housing Corporation;
 - (iii) the former Liberal NSW Government began exploring the rezoning and redevelopment of the Explorer Street social housing estate;
 - (iv) the area proposed for rezoning includes social housing dwellings on Explorer Street and Aurora Place, but not nearby properties in Rowley Street managed by Bridge Housing;
 - (v) feedback provided by the community in 2020 will inform the rezoning proposal;
 - (vi) the community will also have the opportunity to provide further input on the future of the precinct before rezoning can occur;
 - (vii) onsite engagement was limited during the 2020 consultation due to Covid-19 restrictions, hence limiting the quality and quantity of residential feedback;
 - (viii) the current proposed target sent to residents is to develop the site to 420 dwellings, with 30 per cent of those being social housing;
 - (ix) the Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) is continuing under the advice and vision of the previous Liberal NSW Government that sought to sell off social housing; and
 - (x) the current Labor NSW Government has committed to not sell off any more social housing residences;
- (B) Council support the preservation of the Explorer Street Public housing site as wholly public and affordable housing; and
- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to Minister Rose Jackson to confirm the City's view on the Explorer Street Public Housing site.

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