

Item 7

Report of the Environment and Climate Change Committee - 11 November 2024

Item 7.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) –

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee of Monday 17 June 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 7.2**Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest**

Councillor Zann Maxwell disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.3 on the agenda, in that Saba Fadjah Khalifah lives in the same building as one of the proposed sites to receive one of the Green Building Grant Funding packages. Saba was a member of the Sydney Labour campaign in 2024. Councillor Maxwell considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because Saba did not make any representations to him about this matter coming to Committees.

Councillor Mitch Wilson disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7.3 on the agenda, in that Saba Fadjah Khalifah lives in a building recommended to receive one of the Green Building Grants. Saba was a member of the City of Sydney Labour campaign in 2024 and made a non-reportable political contribution. Councillor Wilson considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances as Saba did not make any representations to them about this matter coming to Committees.

No other Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee.

The Environment and Climate Change Committee recommends the following:

Item 7.3

Grants and Sponsorship - Environmental Grants

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash recommendations for the Green Building Grant program as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash for the Green Building Grant program as shown at Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council note that all grant amounts are exclusive of GST;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer agreements with any organisation approved for a grant or sponsorship under terms consistent with this resolution and the Grants and Sponsorship Policy; and
- (E) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the identity of the recipient will not change, and a CEO Update will be provided to Council advising of any changes made in accordance with this resolution.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried on the following show of hands –

Ayes (7) The Chair (the Lord Mayor), Councillors Gannon, Kok, Maxwell, Miller, Wilson and Worling

Noes (3) Councillors Ellsmore*, Thompson* and Weldon.

Carried.

*Note – Councillors Ellsmore and Thompson abstained from voting on this matter. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 10.4 of the Code of Meeting Practice, Councillors Ellsmore and Thompson are taken to have voted against the motion.)

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