

Minutes of the Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee - 10 February 2025

Members Lord Mayor - Councillor Clover Moore AO (Chair), Deputy Lord Mayor - Councillor Zann Maxwell, Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore, Councillor Lyndon Gannon, Councillor Robert Kok, Councillor Jess Miller, Councillor Matthew Thompson, Councillor Yvonne Weldon AM, Councillor Mitch Wilson (Olly Arkins) (Deputy Chair) and Councillor Adam Worling.

At the commencement of business at 3.50pm, those present were –

The Lord Mayor, Councillors Gannon, Kok, Maxwell, Miller, Thompson, Weldon, Wilson (Arkins) and Worling.

Apologies

Councillor Sylvie Ellsmore extended her apologies for her inability to attend the meeting of the Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee.

The meeting of the Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee concluded at 3.53pm.

Item 1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Wilson (Arkins), seconded by Councillor Miller–

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee of Monday 9 December 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

Councillor Jess Miller disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 3 on the agenda, in that she has known Melissa Gilbert, Co-Founder and Creative Director of The Nest, for a significant period of time.

Councillor Miller considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because she has not discussed this grant with The Nest, nor is the relationship of a financial nature.

Councillor Adam Worling disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 3 on the agenda, in that The Aurora Group – A Ruby Foundation (an organisation originally awarded \$20,000 through the 2024/25 Festival and Events Sponsorship Program) has requested a change of grant recipient to Rainbow Giving Australia Limited. He has accepted tickets to attend the Aurora Ball in the past.

Councillor Worling considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because he did not discuss Item 3 with anyone from the Aurora Group or Rainbow Giving Australia Limited and it did not influence his decision today.

No other Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee.

The Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee recommended the following:

Item 3

Grants and Sponsorship - Creative Grants

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) note the matters raised in response to the public notification of the Ad Hoc grant to 'I Made This Pty Ltd' (ABN 94 165 857 483) to contribute towards the costs of relocating and setting-up the Nest at 24 and 24a Bourke Road Alexandria;
- (B) approve the award of the Ad Hoc grant to 'I Made This Pty Ltd' to contribute towards the costs of relocating and setting-up the Nest at 24 and 24a Bourke Road Alexandria;
- (C) approve the change of recipient for the 2024/25 Festivals and Events Sponsorship Program grant (ref: FET1 WR 202425115) from 'The Aurora Group – A Ruby Foundation' to 'Rainbow Giving Australia Limited';
- (D) approve the change of auspice recipient for the 2024/25 Festivals and Events Sponsorship Program grant recipient, Dyan Tai (ref: FET1 WR 202425032) from 'The Beautiful Mess of It All' to 'The Red Rattler Theatre Incorporated'; and
- (E) approve the change of auspice recipient for the 2021/22 Cultural and Creative Grants and Sponsorship Program grant recipient, Katherine Haines (ref: CCGS 202122087) from '107 Projects Incorporated' to 'Tribal Warrior Aboriginal Corporation'.

(Note – at the meeting of the Cultural, Creative and Nightlife Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Wilson (Arkins), seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)