

17 February 2025

At 5.00 pm

Council

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Item 1

Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the following meeting of Council are submitted for confirmation:

Meeting of 16 December 2024

Item 2

Statement of Ethical Obligations

In accordance with section 233A of the Local Government Act 1993, the Lord Mayor and Councillors are bound by the Oath or Affirmation of Office made at the start of the Council term to undertake their civic duties in the best interests of the people of the City of Sydney and the City of Sydney Council and to faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the Local Government Act 1993 or any other Act, to the best of their ability and judgement.

Disclosures of Interest

Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, the City of Sydney Code of Meeting Practice and the City of Sydney Code of Conduct, Councillors are required to disclose and manage both pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting.

In both cases, the nature of the interest must be disclosed.

This includes receipt of reportable political donations over the previous four years.

Item 3.1**Vale Sister Margaret Gooley****File No: S051491****Minute by the Lord Mayor**

To Council:

I wish to inform Council of the passing of Sister Margaret Gooley on 19 January 2025.

Born 28 August 1929, Margaret was the beloved daughter of James and Alice (née Eves) Gooley and the sister of Allan, James, William, Vincent, Anthony and Therese.

Raised in Leichhardt, Margaret joined the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart at age 17.

In the late 1980s, Sister Margaret and her fellow Sister Teresa Noon moved to Ultimo, living at St Joseph's House on Bulwara Road.

At that time, the congregation at nearby St Bedes in Pyrmont was very small, and the church did not have its own priest. Sister Margaret and Sister Teresa conducted the services, welcoming everyone and exercising some of the pastoral duties, including delivering communion.

For more than 30 years they cared for the lonely, isolated and marginalised, without judgement. They provided support for isolated, unwell and lonely people in Pyrmont and Ultimo through regular visits and material, spiritual and emotional support. They were the eyes and ears of the community, watching over those in need. Their home was a place of welcome to everyone.

Sister Margaret was also renowned for her work with prisoners from Parramatta and Long Bay Gaols, who she wrote to, visited, brought books for and comforted in times of grief, at times waiting outside the gaol for hours, sometimes in the rain.

The Sisters were also generous to a fault, often giving away what little they had to those who needed it more, including people experiencing homelessness.

Seeing how selfless the Sisters were, the Ultimo community organised a weekly raffle at the Lord Wolseley Hotel every Friday night. Money raised through the raffle was given to the Sisters to help local people in need and support other important causes, including sending support for the people of East Timor during the crisis of the late 1990s.

In 2009, as member for Bligh, I nominated Sisters Margaret and Teresa for the Sydney Electorate Women of the Year in recognition of their 25 years of service to the community. A few years later they moved to Croydon, and then to Hunters Hill to live.

Family and friends gathered on 28 January 2025 to celebrate Sister Margaret at St Joseph's in Baulkham Hills. Sister Margaret was much loved and respected by the Ultimo and Pyrmont communities. She will be dearly missed by locals and her family including her surviving sister, Therese Roach, and nephew Michael Gooley and her many other nephews and nieces.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) all persons attending this meeting of Council observe one minute's silence to commemorate the life of Sister Margaet Gooley and her contribution to the Ultimo and Pymont communities;
- (B) Council express its condolences to Sister Margaret's family and many friends and the Ultimo and Pymont community; and
- (C) the Lord Mayor convey Council's condolences to Sister Margaret Gooley's sister, Therese Roach, her nephew Michael Gooley, her many other nephews and nieces, and the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE AO

Lord Mayor

Item 3.2

Vale David Polson AM

File No: S051491

Minute by the Lord Mayor

To Council:

Councillors will be saddened to learn of the passing of David Polson AM on 10 February 2025. A long time AIDS advocate and educator, David will be remembered as the founder and first Chair of Qtopia Sydney, The Centre for Queer History and Culture.

Born in Christchurch, New Zealand on 23 November 1954, David first came to Australia after completing high school to take up an acting scholarship at Sydney's Ensemble Theatre. Following a 12-month stint at a Neutral Bay theatre, David spent some years working in London. He returned to Sydney in 1981, working as barman at the new 5-star Regent Hotel. Three years later he was among the first 400 Australians to be diagnosed with HIV. He was then managing the Regent's Don Burrows Supper Club.

David's initial response to his diagnosis was to adopt a healthy lifestyle, which included exercise, managing his diet, taking vitamin supplements and using positive visualisation and meditation. Above all, he was determined to stay positive and surround himself with laughter.

This, in itself, would have been challenging. Apart from being diagnosed with a disease with no cure, HIV positive gay men had to deal with the stigma and prejudice created by a moral panic. The risks they faced - losing their jobs, their homes, being bashed - were very real. David chose to share his diagnosis with only 4 people, his sister Ruth Henning, her husband, his cousin and her husband.

A poster at his GP's surgery calling for gay volunteers for a study was a life-changer. It led him to meeting Doctor (later Professor) Cooper, the eminent Australian immunologist who identified the seroconversion process which followed HIV infection. At the time his attitude was "I will do anything I can to help medical science, help fight this disease."

Over the next 30 years, David honoured this commitment, undergoing 28 HIV drug trials under Professor Cooper's care. The trials were tough. He would wake with nausea every day and suffered from lipodystrophy, hearing loss, imbalance and kidney disease. By 2011, he was taking 48 tablets a day. He persevered, because the alternative was worse. By 2020, the HIV retrovirus in his body was undetectable.

The AIDS crisis had other impacts on him. Many of the men diagnosed with HIV, and who spent time in St Vincent's Ward 17 South, were personal friends. He would attend their funerals, privately vowing to himself that he would survive.

Over time he recognised the need to address the stigma associated with HIV, deciding this was best done by talking about it.

He became an AIDS educator and advocate, and for over 30 years shared his personal story of resilience and hope, dispelled myths surrounding HIV/AIDS, promoted a healthy and positive life while living with HIV, and replaced people's fear and ignorance with understanding and acceptance. He gave lectures at the Kirby Institute, Westmead Hospital, the University of Sydney and University of NSW. He was a member of the Positive Life NSW Speakers Bureau, an Ambassador for the St Vincent's Curran Foundation, a Community Ambassador for the Bobby Goldsmith Foundation.

This work was recognised with David being honoured as a Community Champion in the 2021 inaugural National Association of People with HIV Australia (NAPWHA) and Gilead Sciences Australia and New Zealand. He received the HIV Hero Award from Positive Life NSW at the 2023 ACON Honours Awards. Also in 2023, David became a Member of the Order of Australia "for significant service to community health through HIV education and advocacy roles."

Over his years of treatment, David Cooper became a close personal friend as well as his doctor. When Professor Cooper died in 2018, his widow, Dorrie, told David about her late husband's vision of a space to honour the history of those affected by HIV/AIDS. David was determined to make Professor Cooper's vision a reality.

He brought together a steering committee and enlisted as patrons former High Court Judge, Michael Kirby, and Ita Buttrose who had chaired the National Advisory Committee on AIDS from 1984 to 1988 and was subsequently Chair of the AIDS Trust of Australia. It was Michael who suggested that the vision be expanded to recognise the persecution and discrimination of queer people. This led to the vision being centred on 3 principles: memory, celebration, and education.

From his initial commitment to Professor Cooper's vision, David presided over its transformation into what is now Qtopia Sydney. It will be his enduring legacy.

I note however that there are already requests from the community for a specific memorial to honour David's life and work. I propose requesting the Chief Executive Officer to consult with Qtopia, HIV/AIDS community organisations and other relevant stakeholders about an appropriate memorial.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) all persons attending this meeting of Council observe one minute's silence to commemorate the life of David Polson AM and his significant contribution to HIV and AIDS advocacy, education and research and to Australia's LGBTIQ+ community as the founder and first Chair of Qtopia Sydney;
- (B) Council express its condolences to David's sister Ruth and family, and Qtopia Sydney's staff, supporters and volunteers;
- (C) the Lord Mayor convey Council's condolences to David's sister Ruth and family, and Qtopia Sydney; and
- (D) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to consult with Qtopia, HIV/AIDS community organisations and other relevant stakeholders about an appropriate memorial to honour the life and work of David Polson AM.

COUNCILLOR CLOVER MOORE AO

Lord Mayor

Item 3.3

City of Sydney's Proposal for Wentworth Park

Document to Follow

Item 3.4

Town Hall Square

Document to Follow

Item 3.5

Support for Free Sundays at Qtopia

Document to Follow

Item 4

Memoranda by the Chief Executive Officer

There are no Memoranda by the Chief Executive Officer for this meeting of Council.

Item 5

Matters for Tabling

5.1 Disclosures of Interest

Disclosure of Interest returns that have been lodged in accordance with the City of Sydney Code of Conduct will be tabled.

Recommendation

It is resolved that the Disclosures of Interest returns be received and noted.

Item 6

Report of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee - 10 February 2025

Item 6.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling –

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee of Monday 9 December 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 6.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

No Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matters on the agenda for this meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee.

The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.3

2024/25 Quarter 2 Review – Delivery Program 2022-2026

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the financial performance of Council for the second quarter, ending 31 December 2024, including a Quarter 2 Operating Result (before depreciation, interest income, capital related costs and capital grants and contributions) of \$58.3M and the full year forecast of \$119.5M and Net Operating Result of \$55.1M and a full year forecast of \$117.4M as outlined in the subject report and summarised in Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note the Quarter 2 Capital Works expenditure of \$111.2M and a revised full year forecast of \$242.4M, and approve the proposed adjustments to the adopted budget, including bringing forward \$16.5M of funds into the 2024/25 capital budget, the transfer of \$0.2M from the capital works contingency, and to reallocate funds within relevant programs within capital budget as detailed in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council note the Technology and Digital Services Capital Works expenditure of \$6.8M, and a full year forecast of \$22.8M and approve the proposed adjustments to the adopted budget, including pushing \$2.5M of funds into future years capital budget, \$3.4M from the capital works contingency, and to reallocate funds within relevant programs within capital budget as detailed in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (D) Council note the Quarter 2 Plant and Equipment expenditure of \$11.5M, net of disposals, and a revised full year forecast of \$30.4M, and approve the proposed adjustments to the adopted budget including \$0.6M from capital works contingency as detailed in Attachment B to the subject report;
- (E) Council note net Property Acquisitions of \$72.7M as at Quarter 2, and the full year forecast for net Property Acquisitions and Divestments of \$47.1M;
- (F) Council note the operational performance indicators and Quarter 2 achievements against the Operational Plan 2024/25 objectives, as detailed in Attachment C to the subject report; and
- (G) Council note the supplementary reports, which detail the quick response, street banner and venue hire support grants and sponsorship programs, major legal issues, international travel, property and land use matters approved under delegation and contracts over \$50,000 within the quarter, as detailed in Attachment D to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.4**Adoption - Modern Slavery Policy**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council adopt the revised Modern Slavery Policy, as shown in Attachment A to the subject report; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make amendments to the Modern Slavery Policy to correct any minor drafting errors and finalise design, artwork and accessible formats for publication.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Miller, and carried unanimously.)

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Speaker

James Cockayne (NSW Anti-Slavery Commissioner) addressed the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee on Item 6.4.

Item 6.5**Report on City of Sydney Suppliers and Investments in Relation to the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Campaign**

The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee decided that consideration of this matter shall be deferred to the meeting of Council on 17 February 2025.

Officer's Recommendation

The officer's recommendation to the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee was as follows -

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the review of City of Sydney suppliers and investments in relation to the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights database of companies involved in one of ten defined activities (paragraph 96 A/HRC/22/63) that raise particular human rights violations concerns;
- (B) Council note that staff have examined all existing financial investments and contractual relationships and reviewed them against the UNHRC register;
- (C) Council note that no existing investments or contractual relationships with entities included on the register were found;
- (D) Council endorse the proposed principles, set out in the body of this report, that will guide future decisions in relation to the UNHRC list and note that the principles will be available on the City's website;
- (E) Council note that the Investment Policy already includes clauses which prohibit investments in financial institutions associated with human rights abuses;
- (F) Council note the Modern Slavery Policy, which prohibits procurement from entities associated with human rights abuses; and
- (G) Council note that the Chief Executive Officer will review the application and relevance of these resolutions after two years, with the outcome of that review to be reported to Council via the CEO Update.

Officer's Report

The officer's report on this matter can be found at Item 5 on the agenda of the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee on 10 February 2025.

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Speakers

Alia Alhafny (City of Sydney for Palestine), Michelle Berkon (City of Sydney for Palestine / Jews Against the Occupation '48), Rand Khatib and Mark Friedgut (Selbourne Chambers) addressed the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee on Item 6.5.

The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.6**Investments Held as at 31 December 2024**

It is resolved that the Investment Report as at 31 December 2024 be received and noted.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.7**Investments Held as at 31 January 2025**

It is resolved that the Investment Report as at 31 January 2025 be received and noted.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.8

City of Sydney Advisory Panels

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council endorse the City of Sydney Advisory Panel Terms of Reference as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make amendments to the City of Sydney Advisory Panel Terms of Reference to correct any minor drafting errors or to resolve any unintended inconsistencies and finalise design, artwork and accessible formats for publication;
- (C) Council note that Expressions of Interest processes for Advisory Panel members required will be conducted;
- (D) Council note that the proposed LGBTQIA+ Advisory Panel will not proceed;
- (E) Council note that the proposed Environment and Climate Change Advisory Panel is undergoing further review and consideration; and
- (F) Council note that further details will be provided via the CEO Update.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.9**Land Classification - 22 O'Riordan Street, Alexandria**

It is resolved that Council endorse the classification of the City owned property at 22 O'Riordan Street, Alexandria (being Folio Identifier 1/1004389) as operational land in accordance with section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW).

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Miller, and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.10**Project Scope - 343 George Street - Renewal and Upgrade**

It is resolved that Council:

- (A) endorse the scope of works described in the subject report for the purpose of proceeding with lodgement of required planning approvals, detailed design and documentation and tender for staged construction of the works; and
- (B) note the financial implications outlined in Confidential Attachment C to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.11**Lease Approval - 343 George Street, Sydney**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the granting of a new leases to Burberry Pacific Pty Limited (ACN 098 381 161), commencing on 1 August 2025 for a term of 5 years with an option to renew for a further 5 years for the Ground Floor Retail and Basement Storage, 343 George Street, Sydney, in accordance with Confidential Attachment A to the subject report; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into and administer any documentation required to give effect to the new lease referred in (A) above and in accordance with Confidential Attachment A to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.12

Negotiation Outcome - Tender T-2023-1041 - Sydney Park Brick Kilns Precinct Upgrade

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the outcome of the negotiations for the construction of the Sydney Park Brick Kilns Precinct Upgrade as detailed in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) Council accept the offer from Respondent M for Sydney Park Brick Kilns Precinct Upgrade for the price and contingency, outlined in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report;
- (C) Council note that the total contract sum and contingency for Sydney Park Brick Kilns Precinct Upgrade is outlined in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise, execute and administer the contracts relating to the negotiation outcome; and
- (E) Council approve additional project funding as outlined in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.13

Tender - T-2024-1330 - Reject and Negotiate - Redfern Neighbourhood Parks - Head Design Consultant

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council decline to accept the tender offers for Redfern Neighbourhood Parks - Head Design Consultant for the reasons set out in Confidential Attachment B to the subject report;
- (B) Council does not invite fresh tenders, as it is considered that inviting fresh tenders would not attract additional suitable vendors over and above those that have responded to this tender;
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into negotiations with any person with a view to entering into a contract on terms that are appropriate in relation to the subject matter of the tender;
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the contracts relating to the tender; and
- (E) Council be informed of the successful vendor via the CEO Update.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.14

Exemption from Tender and Contract Variation - Chinatown Gates - Supply of Ornamental Timber Panels

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve an exemption from tender in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 to vary the contract with IAS Fine Art Logistics Pty Ltd for the supply of the Chinatown Gates ornamental timber panels as more particularly described in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the supply of the Chinatown Gates ornamental timber panels because:
 - (i) an existing contract for the supply and freighting of the timber panels is in place;
 - (ii) no other suppliers were identified at the time the existing contract was awarded as being able to provide the goods and services; and
 - (iii) no other suppliers have been identified since the award of the contract as being able to provide the goods and services;
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to vary the contract with IAS Fine Art Logistics Pty Ltd; and
- (D) Council note the revised contract sum as set out in the Confidential Attachment A to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.15**Exemption from Tender - Copyright Agency Ltd Licence Agreement**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve an exemption from tender in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 for the City's copyright licence agreement;
- (B) Council note that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for this work because the Copyright Agency Ltd is the only Australian provider of copyright licences to organisations on behalf of their members for use of their work; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the renewal of the copyright licence agreement for a term of 5 years.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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The Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee recommends the following:

Item 6.16

Exemption from Tender - IT Licence, Subscription, Maintenance and Support Contracts

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve an exemption from tender i in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 for the provision of the maintenance, support, subscription and licencing of the software applications, platforms and hardware appliances upon the expiry of the current agreements for the respective extension period along with the optional extension, if appropriate, as listed in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report, noting that because of extenuating circumstances, a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders;
- (B) Council note the reasons why a satisfactory outcome would not be achieved by inviting tenders differ for each application, platform or appliance and include:
 - (i) high costs and/or extensive business disruption associated with a transition to a new provider;
 - (ii) upgrades or changes to service requirements are planned to be implemented within the next 5 years; and
 - (iii) cost to take the arrangement to market would be disproportionate to the potential value of change;
- (C) Council note that the detailed reasons as to why a satisfactory result will not be achieved by inviting tenders are outlined further in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report;
- (D) Council enter into the subscription, licencing, maintenance and support agreements for the relevant products or with the relevant suppliers upon the expiry of the current agreements for the respective extension period along with the optional extension, if appropriate, as listed in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report;
- (E) Council note the value for each product or supplier for the extension period and optional extension is noted in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report; and
- (F) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise, execute and administer (including exercising options, if appropriate) the subscription, licencing, maintenance and support agreements for the relevant products or with the relevant suppliers as listed in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report.

(Note – at the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Kok, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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Item 7

Report of the Environment and Climate Change Committee - 10 February 2025

Item 7.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by Councillor Kok –

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee of Monday 9 December 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 7.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

No 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**Adoption - Managing Asbestos Policy**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council adopt the updated Managing Asbestos Policy, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make amendments to the Managing Asbestos Policy to correct any minor drafting errors and finalise design, artwork and accessible formats for publication.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by Councillor Miller, and carried unanimously.)

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The Environment and Climate Change Committee recommends the following:

Item 7.4**Public Exhibition - Weed Management Policy and Pesticide Use Notification Plan**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the draft Weed Management Policy and the draft Pesticide Use Notification Plan, as shown in Attachment A and Attachment B to the subject report, for public exhibition; and
- (B) Council note that the draft Weed Management Policy and the draft Pesticide Use Notification Plan, including any recommended changes, will be reported to Council for adoption following the exhibition period; and
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to undertake minor editorial amendments for clarity or correction of drafting errors prior to the exhibition of the draft Weed Management Policy and the draft Pesticide Use Notification Plan.

(Note – at the meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Worling, seconded by Councillor Miller, and carried unanimously.)

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Item 8

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

Item 8.1

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 8.2**Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest**

Councillor Jess Miller disclosed a less than significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 8.3 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 8.3 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 8.3 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 recommends the following:

Item 8.3

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.)

S117676

Item 9

Report of the Community Services and Facilities Committee - 10 February 2025

Item 9.1

Confirmation of Minutes

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

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services and Facilities Committee of Monday 11 November 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 9.2**Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest**

Councillor Mitch Wilson (Olly Arkins) made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.3 on the agenda, in that Elizabeth Elenius, a member of Pymont Action, provided a submission on this item and she is a member of Labor in the City of Sydney. Councillor Wilson (Arkins) considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because Elizabeth and Pymont Action have not made any representations to them on this matter.
- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.4 on the agenda, in that one of the organisations receiving funding for street banner and pole waiver funding is Community Restorative Centre Limited as auspice for Ken Zulumovski in specific relation to the Coloured Digger ANZAC Day Event and Commemorative Ceremony. Ken is a Labor member in the City of Sydney. Councillor Wilson (Arkins) considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because Ken has not made any representations to them on this matter.

Councillor Zann Maxwell made the following disclosures:

- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.3 on the agenda, in that Elizabeth Elenius, a member of Pymont Action, provided a submission on this item, and is currently a member of Sydney Labor. Councillor Maxwell considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because Elizabeth and Pymont Action have not made any representations to him on this matter.
- a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.4 on the agenda, in that one of the organisations receiving funding for street banner and pole waiver funding is Community Restorative Centre Limited as auspice for Ken Zulumovski in specific relation to the Coloured Digger ANZAC Day Event and Commemorative Ceremony. Ken is a Sydney Labor member and is known to Councillor Maxwell and has participated on Labor campaigns over the years. Councillor Maxwell considers that this non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances because Ken did not make any representations to him about this funding and he was unaware it was coming to Council.

No other Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Community Services and Facilities Committee.

The Community Services and Facilities Committee recommends the following:

Item 9.3**Post Exhibition - Outdoor Alcohol Restrictions - Jones Bay Road, Pyrmont**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the submissions received from the community as summarised in Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council approve the establishment of an alcohol-free zone on Jones Bay Road, Pyrmont until 21 August 2028;
- (C) Council note that the Chief Executive Officer will continue to undertake advocacy to the NSW Government in relation to necessary reforms in this area and work with relevant entities to develop appropriate strategies for managing alcohol consumption in the public domain, in accordance with the resolution of Council of 24 June 2024; and
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to correct minor errors to the matters set out in this report, noting that the locations of the alcohol-free zones and alcohol prohibited areas 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 Community Services and Facilities Committee, this recommendation was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Kok, and carried unanimously.)

X111829

Speakers

Ken Loudon (Pyrmont Action) and Zena Vaassen addressed the meeting of the Community Services and Facilities Committee on Item 9.3.

The Community Services and Facilities Committee recommends the following:

Item 9.4

Grants and Sponsorship - Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Collaboration Fund

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve the cash and value-in-kind recommendations for the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Collaboration Fund program as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) Council note the applicants who were not recommended in obtaining a cash grant of for the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Collaboration Fund 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 Community Services and Facilities Committee, this recommendation was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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Item 10

Report of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee - 10 February 2025

Item 10.1

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Kok –

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee of Monday 9 December 2024, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 10.2

Statement of Ethical Obligations and Disclosures of Interest

No Councillors disclosed any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any matter on the agenda for this meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee.

The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommends the following:

Item 10.3

Post Exhibition - Planning Proposal - 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills - Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2012 and Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 Amendment

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note the matters raised in response to the public exhibition of Planning Proposal - 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills and the draft Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 - 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, as shown in Attachment C to the subject report;
- (B) Council approve Planning Proposal - 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report, and request the relevant local plan making authority make as a Local Environmental Plan under section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- (C) Council approve the draft Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 - 8-24 Kippax Street, as shown at Attachment B to the subject report, noting the approved Development Control Plan will come into effect on the date of publication of the subject Local Environmental Plan; and
- (D) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to make any minor amendments to the Planning Proposal - 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills and the draft Sydney Development Control Plan 2012 - 8-24 Kippax Street, Surry Hills, to correct any minor errors or omissions prior to finalisation.

(Note – at the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

X101286

Speakers

Tom McNamara (Canva) and Stephen Gouge (Ethos Urban) addressed the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee on Item 10.3.

The Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee recommends the following:

Item 10.4**Fire Safety Reports**

It is resolved that Council note:

- (A) the contents of the Fire Safety Reports Summary Sheet, as shown at Attachment A to the subject report;
- (B) the inspection reports by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown at Attachments B to D of the subject report;
- (C) the contents of Attachment B and exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 146-150 Henderson Road, Alexandria at this time;
- (D) the contents of Attachment C and exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 412-416 Crown Street, Surry Hills; and
- (E) the contents of Attachment D and not exercise its power under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to issue a Fire Safety Order at 280 Jones Street, Pyrmont at this time.

(Note – at the meeting of the Transport, Heritage and Planning Committee, this recommendation was moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Worling, and carried unanimously.)

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Item 11**Questions on Notice****1. Rodenticide Usage (Second Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides)**

By Councillor Thompson

Question

1. Can you confirm where either the City, or any contractor employed by the City, is using Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs) and who is responsible for the deployment, monitoring, and adherence to legislation and regulations?
2. Where the City is contracting SGAR deployment services, what information is included or omitted in Council's tender documents?
3. Can you confirm your understanding of the evidenced impacts of SGARs on animal species, particularly native species in the City's Local Government Area, from SGARs?
4. Is the City aware that widespread use of SGARs locally, and more broadly across Sydney, is contributing to the death of vulnerable species, such as the endangered Southern Brown bandicoot, the threatened Powerful Owl, the threatened Barking Owl, the threatened Squirrel Glider, and the protected Peron's Tree Frog?
5. What steps has the City taken to reduce the evidenced impacts of secondary poisoning on animal species, particularly native species in the Local Government Area, from SGARs?
6. What investigations, trials, or work has the City undertaken to eliminate SGARs, and has the City explored wildlife-safe alternatives used successfully by other councils? If so, what?
7. Has there been any Council-recorded incidents of household pets or native animal species being poisoned by SGARs deployed by Council or Council contractors, and is there any monitoring or reporting system in place to track such incidents, including community feedback?
8. Has there been any contractor-reported incidents, or incidents through local wildlife groups, or any other agency, of household pets or native animal species being poisoned by SGARs deployed by Council contractors, and is there any monitoring or reporting system in place to track such incidents, including community feedback?
9. In relation to questions 7 and 8, how many incidents for both native animals and household pets?
10. In which City of Sydney suburbs, at which City locations, and in what contexts do Council or Council contractors currently use SGARs? What considerations, steps and methods are deployed before Council considers using SGARs?

11. What protocols exist for the use of SGARs in areas serving as habitat for native species, including priority species like the Powerful Owl, the endangered Southern Brown bandicoot, the threatened Barking Owl, the threatened Squirrel Glider, and the protected Peron's Tree Frog, as well as possums, magpies, and skinks, and how do these align with the City's Urban Ecology Strategic Action Plan?
12. What procurement policies exist regarding the purchase of SGARs for City facilities and operations, and are there any guidelines or protocols for selecting or prioritising sustainable and non-toxic alternatives?
13. What oversight does the City have over subcontractors engaged by facility management contractors like Ventia for pest control services, and what requirements exist in these contracts regarding the use of SGARs and wildlife protection? What City of Sydney requirements, including oversight and monitoring, are in place for these types of services?

X113778

2. Missed Rubbish Collection Reports

By Councillor Wilson (Arkins)

Question

Can you please advise how many times residents reported a missed rubbish collection to Council and whether an off schedule pickup was dispatched for each. Could you please provide this as:

1. The total across the Council by month since July 2024; and
2. The total number in each collection zone by month since July 2024.

X113776

3. IT Contracts

By Councillor Wilson (Arkins)

Question

Can you please provide a list of all major IT software and service contracts managed by IT that Council is currently entered into, and the total cost and length of term for each.

X113776

4. City of Sydney Average Staff Recruitment Times

By Councillor Wilson (Arkins)

Question

1. Can you please advise the number of permanent full-time positions advertised by the City by month since July 2024; and
2. The average length of time it has taken for recruitment of permanent full-time positions, from the date of advertisement to the start date of the employee, by month since July 2024.

X113776

5. Child Care Centre Casual Staff Arrangements

By Councillor Wilson (Arkins)

Question

1. Can you please advise how many times an agency staff member was engaged at City of Sydney child care centres by month since July 2024; and
2. Can you please provide the casual hourly or daily pay rate of agency contract staff and what an equivalent casual child care worker would earn if they were engaged under the City of Sydney Award.

X113776

6. Aquatic and Leisure Centre Resident Feedback

By Councillor Wilson (Arkins)

Question

1. Can you please advise how many times a resident or customer provided feedback or a complaint to the City regarding any of our 6 aquatic and leisure centres, by month since January 2022.
2. Can you please also provide the following breakdown of these reports:
 - (a) How many reports per centre by month since January 2022; and
 - (b) A summary of the top 5 issues reported to Council for each centre since January 2022.

X113776

Item 12

Supplementary Answers to Previous Questions

There are no Supplementary Answers to Previous Questions on Notice for this meeting of Council.

Item 13.1

Notices of Motion

Houses for Homes (Short-Term Rental)

By Councillor Miller

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) according to NSW Government data, in 2023, there were 2,468 active and registered short-term rental accommodation (STRA) properties in the City of Sydney. However, according to independent data, there were 5,454 active STRA properties in the City of Sydney. We do not have sufficient data to understand how many properties are the owners' principal place of residence that are used for STRA;
- (ii) since 2017, the City has made 4 submissions in response to the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure's proposed changes to STRA. The City's submissions have recommended reduced caps for non-hosted short-term rentals;
- (iii) the NSW Government's planning framework for STRA came into effect in 2021;
- (iv) weaknesses and loopholes in the government's framework have led to the commercialisation of the sector at scale, with professional STRA operators hosting multiple properties and actively marketing known Sydney 'hotspots' as ideal for absentee owners to invest in and profit from;
- (v) enforcement action is impossible due to the inaccuracy and unavailability of data on the NSW Planning Portal's short term accommodation register, such as verified identification and financial records;
- (vi) STRA registration should be linked to a Service NSW account to ensure accurate and fulsome identification information;
- (vii) unless the problem of accessing the records needed for enforcement action is resolved, the day cap restriction on non-hosted STRA is unenforceable in practice;
- (viii) in 2023, Council resolved to commission a report to investigate the impacts STRA is having on rental affordability and availability, and tourist accommodation in our local area. The Lord Mayor provided a copy of our findings and recommendations to the NSW Government to consider as part of its own review;
- (ix) the report's financial analysis found that STRA was more profitable than long term rentals in many City of Sydney suburbs, despite the 180 day cap on non-hosted rentals;

- (x) the report identifies several recommendations, largely within the NSW Government's control, to improve the regulation of STRA and address its impact on housing availability and affordability, including:
 - (a) the professional commercialisation of STRA must be reduced by introducing restrictions that incentivise long-term leases over STRA;
 - (b) STRA regulation and enforcement must be improved by increasing requirements for booking platforms, enhancing identity verification when registering a property and improving data sharing between government and councils;
 - (c) reduce the existing 180-day cap according to financial modelling to deter 'absentee landlords' and the exclusive use of dwellings for STRA; and
 - (d) support a state-wide levy on STRA and use funds for Affordable Housing;
 - (xi) in March 2024, the NSW Government consulted on a Discussion Paper, seeking feedback on the policy and regulatory framework for STRA as well as options to increase the supply of long-term rental accommodation;
 - (xii) the NSW Government has not yet reported on its review or responded to the City's recommendations;
 - (xiii) given the housing affordability crisis it is essential the NSW Government urgently reforms the STRA planning and regulatory framework to enable the potential return of over a thousand homes to the long-term rental market; and
 - (xiv) in light of the worsening housing affordability crisis and shortage of long-term rental accommodation and delay in acting on this issue, it is recommended that the NSW Government take swift action that will immediately unlock housing options; and
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to:
- (i) the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Paul Scully and the Minister for Housing Rose Jackson, urging the NSW Government to:
 - (a) commit to incentivising long-term leases and disincentivising Sydney as a hotspot for 'absentee landlords' and operations that use dwellings exclusively to profit from STRA;
 - (b) urgently report back on its STRA review including a response to the City's recommendations; and
 - (c) improve the registration and identification process for short-term rental accommodation registrations as a first step to enabling enforcement; and
 - (ii) the Minister for Better Regulation and Fair Trading, Anoulack Chanthivong, encouraging the NSW Government to:
 - (a) close existing loopholes and weaknesses in the registration and enforcement process through strengthening and consolidating data collection across the STRA Registry, Service NSW and other relevant agencies;

- (b) consider how the NSW Rental Commissioner might take responsibility for the coordination and sharing of accurate data with councils to enable effective real-time short and long-term rental information to better inform strategic planning decisions; and
- (c) empower and properly assign resources to the Office of Fair Trading to undertake greater monitoring and enforcement of cap breaches based on better data and registration processes; and that fines for breaches be issued with the intent to unlock the commercial short-term rental market for long-term leases.

X113761

Item 13.2

Notices of Motion

Vale Rosemary Wright

By Councillor Worling

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) on 7 December 2024, Rosemary Wright, a prominent and colourful member of the Surry Hills community, sadly passed away at age 81. She is survived by her partner, David Wyatt, and daughter, Jess Chamberlain;
- (ii) Rosemary was born in Adelaide on 6 April 1943, with her family moving to Sydney shortly after her birth, settling in Manning Road, Double Bay;
- (iii) she attended SCEGGS Darlinghurst, and from a young age, was defiant of the gender expectations of her time;
- (iv) upon leaving school, Rosemary threw herself into a variety of entrepreneurial ventures. In the late 1960s, she launched her own beauty product line, taking to live infomercials to promote her business. She pointedly employed an all-women team to help promote her company across NSW and the ACT;
- (v) in the late 1970s, after selling her beauty business, Rosemary embarked on a new venture - a denim stone-washing factory in Marrickville. Little did she know that this would lead her to become the creator of the last textile dyeing hub in Australia;
- (vi) as she built her stone-washing empire, through the roller door of her Marrickville factory, one simple request changed everything: a customer asked if she could dye fabric to a specific colour. Agreeing to the challenge, word quickly spread, and soon customers were coming to have their jeans, shirts, and even homewares dyed in unique, vibrant colours;
- (vii) around 1988, Rosemary decided to set up a more professional shopfront at her terrace house in Riley Street, Surry Hills. She successfully applied to the Council for dual commercial and residential approval, marking the humble beginnings of CullaChange;
- (viii) over 35 years later, and four different shopfronts in Surry Hills, CullaChange is not only a beloved Surry Hills stalwart, but the only remaining retail dyehouse in Australia. Through it all, Rosemary was the heartbeat of the business;
- (ix) Rosemary's influence and warmth extended far beyond the walls of CullaChange. In the early 1980s, she helped her neighbours dress for their first Mardi Gras, and over the years, she opened her home to many international female students, helping them navigate the complexities of setting up their own bank accounts and finding work;

- (x) she supported elderly neighbours who didn't have local family, inviting them to lunch and dinners and checking on their well-being often, and fought tirelessly for the businesses on Devonshire Street during Covid-19 and the light-rail construction; and
 - (xi) Rosemary was a local powerhouse, treasured by countless people in the community for her remarkable tenacity, zest for life and love of colour. Her loss is felt deeply by all who knew her;
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to Rosemary Wright's family expressing Council's condolences; and
- (C) all present in the meeting observe a minute's silence to commemorate the life of Rosemary Wright and her contribution to the Surry Hills community.

X113756

Item 13.3**Notices of Motion****Greater Support for our Trans and Gender Diverse Communities**

By Councillor Worling

It is resolved that

(A) Council note:

- (i) in February 2024, the Lord Mayor hosted a LGBTIQ+ Safety Summit Sydney at Customs House to help understand and combat the rise in hatred, discrimination, and abuse we were seeing for our LGBTIQ+ communities;
- (ii) one year on, we continue to hear of the pain, anguish and sense of abandonment many in trans and gender diverse communities are feeling – especially in the wake of the US election result, along with recent decisions made by the Queensland Government to limit access to gender affirming healthcare (under Directive QH-HSD-058);
- (iii) our Opposition Leader has also fuelled anxiety among the trans and gender diverse community with recent comments about trans sport; and
- (iv) it is vitally important for the City to show support of our trans and gender diverse communities, and to combat any misinformation, disinformation and prejudice which may fuel transphobia and homophobia across our City;

(B) Council further note:

- (i) Sydney has always been a beacon for LGBTIQ+ communities across NSW, Australia and the world. We are a city with a solid foundation for activism and community building, the home of Mardi Gras and the host of WorldPride in 2023, and we will continue to stand unequivocally in support of the trans and gender diverse community;
- (ii) in NSW, it is a criminal offence to incite violence based on race, religion or sexuality under section 93Z of the Crimes Act 1900. But currently inciting hatred or serious contempt is dealt with under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. While it is unlawful, it is not a criminal offence;
- (iii) Council endorsed the Equality Legislation Amendment (LGBTIQ+) Bill 2023 introduced into the NSW Legislative Assembly by Alex Greenwich MP; and
- (iv) in order to address violence, abuse and hatred directed towards LGBTIQ+ communities, governments at all levels must work in partnership with LGBTIQ+ communities and their allies;

(C) the Lord Mayor be requested to:

- (i) sign onto Equality Australia's #TransEquality and #CountUsIn pledges;
- (ii) write to the relevant Minister and acknowledge that as of July 2025, there will be accessible pathways for people to update their gender on their birth certificates, and there be no delays; and
- (iii) write to the Minister for Customer Service and request the NSW Government provide an amnesty on the cost of new birth certificates arising from gender updates; and

(D) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:

- (i) write to the Trans Justice Project, Gender Centre, AusPATH, Transcend Australia, Twenty10 and Equality Australia to ask what additional practical support the City can provide the trans and gender diverse community during this time; and
- (ii) continue to support new and existing community-led initiatives to keep all LGBTIQ+ community members safe and supported.

X113756

Item 13.4**Notices of Motion****Making Pools and Aquatic Facilities Free For All**

By Councillor Thompson

It is resolved that:

(A) Council agree that:

- (i) operating and delivering high quality, accessible pools is a core community service and public good expected of us;
- (ii) as the effects of climate change intensify over the coming years and decades, access to swimming facilities will become increasingly important;
- (iii) according to research undertaken by the Royal Life Saving Society of Australia, for every \$1 spent on operating pool facilities, \$4.87 of social benefit is realised in terms of community health, cohesion and wellbeing; and
- (iv) the current cost-of-living crisis and entry costs are a prohibitive barrier for many in our community wanting to access and use our swimming facilities;

(B) Council note:

- (i) Snowy Valley Council undertook a trial in 2017 providing free entry to their 5 Council owned and operated pools that resulted in:
 - (a) an increase in visits to their facilities of 23%;
 - (b) an increase of 241% to income generated by the facilities, via sales at cafes within the pools, delivery of swimming lessons, aquarobics classes, and a paid after-hours entry pass; and
 - (c) no substantial change to operating costs, with just a small 1.5% increase recorded;
- (ii) Tamworth Council is currently trailing free pool entry over the current summer holidays, with an overwhelmingly positive response from the community thus far, with a report due to be tabled to Council sometime later this year;
- (iii) a number of other regional councils such as Campase Shire, Central Goldfields Shire, Hepburn Shire, Mildura Rural City Council, Mitchell Shire Council, Buloke Shire and many more offer some form of free entry to their pools;
- (iv) Melbourne City Council recently moved towards free entry after enacting \$2 entry fees for all of their pools in addition to offering free swimming lessons, recognising the initiative will support community health, wellbeing and safety; and

- (v) Brisbane City Council also now has moved towards free entry, with pool entry fees reduced to just \$2 during the summer season to huge popularity and success;
- (C) Council agree that everyone, no matter their income, be able to access our pool facilities for free by removing entry costs; and
- (D) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to prepare budget advice and necessary variations to ensure that free entry to pools and insourcing of Council owned aquatic facilities is considered as part of the 2025/26 budget process and future years' forward estimates.

X113760

Item 13.5

Notices of Motion

Motion to the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly - Affordable Housing Contributions Schemes Across all Australian Councils

By Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Maxwell

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the 2025 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly will be held from 24 to 27 June 2025 in Canberra under the theme "*National Priorities Need Local Solutions*", highlighting the unique role of Australia's 537 councils in delivering place-based solutions to address community needs and national priorities;
- (ii) the City of Sydney has been collecting Affordable Housing contributions since 1995, initially in Ultimo and Pyrmont, followed by Green Square. The scheme was eventually extended across our entire area in 2021;
- (iii) the City's Affordable Housing Program requires developers to contribute 3% of residential and 1% of non-residential or commercial floor area for affordable housing for most Development Applications;
- (iv) the City of Sydney is the first council to have a Local Government Area-wide scheme, unlike most other councils, and the only council to charge a levy across all residential and commercial development;
- (v) the City also uses planning agreements to secure affordable housing outcomes when changes are being made to planning controls and to capture residential uplift;
- (vi) affordable housing contributions can be made either directly through the provision of constructed housing or as a monetary contribution;
- (vii) the City's existing contribution scheme has resulted in 1,447 built and 1,941 planned or in the pipeline affordable and diverse housing dwellings, with an additional 1,950 affordable and diverse housing dwellings expected to be delivered by the scheme in the future;
- (viii) in December 2024, Council approved for public exhibition draft changes to its Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme, including:
 - (a) a standard 20% contribution for newly created residential floor space on rezoned sites, replacing the previous variable rate of 12% to 21%;

- (b) a new 2% contribution for newly created non-residential floor space on rezoned sites in the city centre;
 - (c) retention of the existing 3% contribution for residential developments and 1% for non-residential developments across the local government area; and
 - (d) gradual increases in monetary contribution rates over four years to reflect the true costs of building affordable housing, tailored to specific precincts; and
 - (ix) the Lord Mayor has urged the NSW Government to adopt the City's definition of affordable housing, emphasising affordability in perpetuity, management by registered not-for-profit Community Housing Providers, and rent capped at 30% of gross household income; and
- (B) Council endorse the following motion for submission to the 2025 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly:

This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to encourage and fund Australian councils to implement Affordable Housing Contribution Schemes to ensure councils can better contribute to tackling the national housing crisis.

X113762

Item 13.6**Notices of Motion****Car Park to Homes - Auditing Car Spaces and Council Land for Housing Transformation**

By Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Maxwell

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) since 2011, the City of Sydney has been working with Community Housing Providers and others by selling discounted land and properties worth \$31.6 million. This has led to 301 affordable and 40 social housing homes built in our area, with another 400 affordable and diverse homes in the pipeline;
- (ii) completed projects include:
 - (a) 104 affordable homes built by City West Housing in Zetland as a result of the 2011 discounted sale of City land at the former South Sydney Hospital site;
 - (b) 75 affordable homes built by to City West Housing in Glebe as a result of the 2013 discounted sale of City land near the former Harold Park raceway; and
 - (c) 122 affordable and 40 social homes built by St George Community Housing as a result of the discounted sale of the City's former Marian Street depot in 2016;
- (iii) projects in the pipeline include:
 - (a) 106 affordable homes being built by St George Housing, as a result of the 2016 discounted sale of City land at 338 Botany Road Alexandria;
 - (b) 275 affordable homes being built by City West Housing, as a result of the 2016 discounted sale of City land at 330 Botany Road Alexandria;
 - (c) 10 affordable homes for young people at risk of homelessness at 545-549 South Dowling Street Surry Hills as result of a discounted long term lease to the Property Industry Foundation;
 - (d) 2 affordable apartments for women with mental illness experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness in Potts Point, as result of a discounted sale of residential properties to the B Miles Foundation in 2024; and
 - (e) 7 homes for the first ever housing cooperative for trans women, as result of the discounted sale of property in Darlinghurst to Common Equity with All Nations Housing Cooperative in 2024;

- (iv) expressions of Interest are open for building and operating a new affordable aged care facility at 49 Cope Street, Redfern, closing on 28 February 2025. The City of Sydney has been doing great work in this space and looking at many innovative options to help tackle the housing crisis;
 - (v) Inner West Council plans to convert four car parks into 200 affordable homes for essential workers, doubling the current affordable stock while retaining land ownership and replacing lost parking;
 - (vi) councils have the ability to potentially repurpose car parks, shops, and depots into housing options if the land is being underutilised;
 - (vii) on 15 May 2023, Council resolved to request the Chief Executive Officer to undertake a new audit of vacant City of Sydney properties that may be utilised for the purposes of affordable housing or community use;
 - (a) this resulted in the sale of residential properties in Potts Point and Darlinghurst, which will lead to 9 additional homes; and
 - (b) in the 20 December 2024 CEO Update, staff advised that a further audit looking at other surplus land is in process and will be reported to Council;
 - (viii) the NSW Government is auditing land, supporting repurposing parking lots without affecting green space;
 - (ix) repurposing such land could significantly boost below-market rental housing, offering affordable options for lower-income residents to stay in the Local Government Area; and
 - (x) in December 2024, Council approved the Affordable Housing Contributions Review, identifying a need for 12,000 affordable dwellings by 2036, and resolved to ask the Chief Executive Officer to assess the potential of 54-56 Erskineville Road, Erskineville as a suitable location for social or affordable housing and report back to Council. Repurposing underutilised land could fast-track progress toward this target; and
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
- (i) ensure the further audit due to be reported to Council includes all City car parking infrastructure and vacant land. The report should assess potential sites for retaining public carparking spaces beneath housing developments to maintain existing public parking where possible; and
 - (ii) consider the feasibility of offering the NSW Government the opportunity to buy the City out of its lease of the carpark on Goulburn Street in the Sydney CBD on favourable terms, for the purpose of developing the site into affordable housing for key workers.

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Item 13.7

Notices of Motion

More Meanwhile Housing for a Modern Sydney

By Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Maxwell

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the 2025 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly will be held from 24 to 27 June 2025 in Canberra;
- (ii) the theme for the 2025 National General Assembly, *National Priorities Need Local Solutions*, highlights the unique role Australia's 537 councils can play in delivering local, place-based solutions that meet the needs of their communities while addressing broader national priorities;
- (iii) meanwhile housing in a Local Government Area can address urgent needs by providing temporary accommodation for those experiencing homelessness, survivors of domestic violence, and vulnerable groups such as youth, seniors, refugees, and people with disabilities. It can also support community engagement through artist residencies, pop-up hubs, and eco-friendly housing while serving as worker accommodation or spaces for trials of innovative housing concepts;
- (iv) the City of Sydney has a history of supporting people fleeing domestic violence as well as vulnerable people more broadly, but the demand for safe housing continues to grow;
- (v) currently there are over 100 Development Applications (DAs) with a residential component currently under assessment including residential flat buildings, shop-top housing, terrace dwellings and alts/adds to existing dwellings in the City of Sydney with approved properties often left vacant before redevelopment begins;
- (vi) Lane Cove Council has adopted a model enabling vacant properties to serve as temporary shelters for people fleeing domestic violence, in collaboration with housing agencies and nonprofits, ensuring no costs or liabilities for property owners;
- (vii) Homes NSW and Bridge Housing are successfully using a 17-unit building in inner Sydney for short-term accommodation, demonstrating the model's scalability and suitability for Council-led initiatives;
- (viii) in December 2024, the NSW Government introduced exempt and complying development pathways to make it easier for vacant properties to be repurposed for crisis housing without requiring a Development Application (DA), expediting access to temporary accommodation;

- (ix) as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic affecting the number of international students in Sydney, in July 2021, Council resolved to work with organisations to support the “meanwhile use” of vacant student housing for transitional housing and crisis accommodation. Later that year, Council provided an Ad Hoc grant of \$118,540 to Women’s Community Shelters for Abercrombie House, which unlocked underutilised student accommodation to provide single women at risk of homelessness or leaving Domestic or Family Violence with affordable housing and support for a 12-month period; and
- (x) in July 2024, Council resolved that the Lord Mayor be requested to host a roundtable with Community Housing Providers, Metropolitan Councils, Homes NSW, the Tenants’ Union of NSW, Newtown Neighbourhood Centre, the NSW Rental Commissioner and peak bodies about protecting and increasing safe and secure affordable rental housing, which will be held later this year;
- (B) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate how Council can work with existing organisations to encourage and facilitate the use of vacant properties for meanwhile housing, including opportunities for financial or in-kind support, and report back to Council via the CEO Update;
- (C) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Paul Scully, requesting information be provided on the NSW Planning Portal to notify applicants about opportunities available through the new exempt and complying development pathways for the meanwhile use of their vacant properties for crisis accommodation; and
- (D) Council endorse the following motion for submission to the 2025 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly:

This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to advocate to relevant state and territory governments to consider introducing exempt and complying development pathways to enable the meanwhile use of vacant properties for crisis accommodation and to implement a notification process to applicants.

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Item 13.8**Notices of Motion****Community Consultation on Future Uses of the City's 107 Redfern Street Building**

By Councillor Ellsmore

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) 107 Redfern Street, Redfern, is a large community space owned by the City of Sydney Council;
- (ii) until recently, the social enterprise '107 Projects' managed both 107 Redfern Street, and the Joynton Avenue Creative Centre in Zetland, with Council providing long-term discounted leases through its accommodation grants program, and other forms of support;
- (iii) '107 Projects' supported a diversity of cultural and community programs and activities, including courses, art exhibitions and live music performances, to name a few;
- (iv) on 30 September 2024, 107 Projects handed both sites back to the City of Sydney. Loss of '107 Projects' and the diversity of innovative artistic and cultural activities it supported is a major loss for the community;
- (v) the City of Sydney is continuing to support existing tenants at the Joynton Avenue Creative Centre and 107 Redfern Street, and has advised the community that "the City will review and determine new operational models for Joynton Avenue Creative Centre and 107 Redfern Street";
- (vi) there is a high level of need for affordable community and cultural spaces in the City of Sydney Local Government Area. Not-for-profit organisations, including Aboriginal organisations, are increasingly unable to afford spaces in the City of Sydney, due to high rents. In terms of creative uses, along with a lack of affordable housing, a lack of access to affordable creative spaces has been identified as a key driver behind the reduction in the number and diversity of artists in the City of Sydney;
- (vii) the local community is very interested in how the City intends to reactivate both 107 Redfern Street and the Joynton Avenue Creative Centre in Zetland;
- (viii) in particular, there has been long running community interest in the space at 107 Redfern Street from Aboriginal organisations. This space is located in the heart of Redfern, near a number of Aboriginal community-controlled organisations; and

- (ix) the City of Sydney needs to take great care in planning the next phase in the lives of these prominent venues, given how precious affordable community and creative spaces have become in recent years in the City of Sydney;
- (B) Council commit to:
 - (i) undertaking an open community consultation to seek feedback from the community, to help determine the best plan for the future, long term uses of 107 Redfern Street and the Joynton Avenue Creative Centre in Zetland;
 - (ii) ensuring targeted consultation is undertaken with Aboriginal community organisations, particularly in relation to the 107 Redfern Street property;
 - (iii) ensuring short term and temporary uses of the spaces continue, including continuing to support any pre-existing tenancies, while also ensuring long term tenancies are not advertised, and new tenants are not moved in, before Council has had an opportunity to hear and consider options for the future of the sites; and
 - (iv) prioritising Aboriginal community uses and control in relation to the development of future management options for both properties, but particularly of 107 Redfern Street;
- (C) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to write to 107 Projects to thank them for their work and support for the community; and
- (D) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to provide advice to the March 2025 Council meeting about:
 - (i) the status of the two properties;
 - (ii) any current tenancies, bookings or committed uses for the properties;
 - (iii) any recommended or proposed temporary or 'pop-up' uses, which could be implemented short term to ensure the spaces remain activated;
 - (iv) any discussions or requests to date, with or from organisations, businesses, individuals and advisory groups (including the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Panel) about the properties; and
 - (v) a proposed consultation and community engagement process to seek feedback from the community about the future of the properties.

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Item 13.9**Notices of Motion****Support for the National Action Plan for the Health and Wellbeing of LGBTIQ+ People**

By Councillor Wilson (Arkins)

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the Albanese Labor Government's launch of the National Action Plan for the Health and Wellbeing of LGBTIQ+ People 2025–2035, which sets out a long-term vision to improve health outcomes for LGBTIQ+ communities across Australia;
- (ii) that Action 3 of the Plan specifically commits to improving national consistency in healthcare access, ensuring that LGBTIQ+ people can receive appropriate, safe, and affirming care no matter where they live;
- (iii) the vital work of LGBTIQ+ health organisations, community advocates, and healthcare professionals, many based in our City, in shaping the Plan through their expertise, lived experience, and advocacy; and
- (iv) the disappointing decision by the Queensland Government to restrict access to essential healthcare for trans and gender diverse young people, which runs counter to the goals of the National Action Plan and undermines efforts to provide safe and inclusive care across all jurisdictions;

(B) Council:

- (i) commend the Albanese Labor Government and the Hon Ged Kearney, Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care, for delivering the National Action Plan for the Health and Wellbeing of LGBTIQ+ People 2025–2035 and for their commitment to improving the health outcomes of LGBTIQ+ communities;
- (ii) congratulate the LGBTIQ+ healthcare sector, including community health organisations, researchers, and advocates, for their critical role in informing the Plan and advancing equitable health care;
- (iii) affirm its commitment to supporting policies and initiatives that improve healthcare access and outcomes for LGBTIQ+ people, in line with the objectives of the National Action Plan; and
- (iv) express concern over policies that limit access to gender-affirming care and urge all levels of government to ensure LGBTIQ+ people, particularly trans and gender diverse youth, receive the support and medical care they need; and

(C) the Lord Mayor be requested to:

- (i) write to the Hon Ged Kearney, Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care, on behalf of the Council, expressing gratitude and support for her leadership in delivering the National Action Plan for the Health and Wellbeing of LGBTIQ+ People and reinforcing the importance of national consistency in healthcare access;
- (ii) write to the Hon Ryan Park, NSW Minister for Health, expressing Council's support for the LGBTIQ+ National Health Action Plan, reinforcing the importance of national consistency in healthcare access, and reiterating our calls for LGBTIQ+ people, particularly trans and gender diverse youth, to have equitable access to the support and medical care they need; and
- (iii) continue to advocate for policies that promote inclusive, equitable, and affirming healthcare for all LGBTIQ+ people, including in the City's programs and partnerships.

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Item 13.10**Notices of Motion****Expanding Parking Payment Options with an App Based Solution**

By Councillor Wilson (Arkins)

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) many local councils across Australia have introduced app-based parking payment options to improve convenience for residents, businesses, and visitors;
- (ii) providing a digital payment option alongside existing parking meters will offer greater flexibility for users, particularly those who prefer contactless transactions or wish to remotely extend their parking session within permitted limits;
- (iii) any new parking payment technology must be seamlessly integrated with existing parking meters, ensuring users can choose between app and meter, cash or card payments without disruption;
- (iv) an app-based system should prioritise user accessibility, including functionality for those with disabilities, those who speak other languages, and clear instructions for use; and
- (v) that while expanding digital options, Council remains committed to ensuring that residents and visitors who prefer or rely on physical meters and cash payments can continue to use them without disadvantage;

(B) Council support:

- (i) the introduction of an app-based parking payment system that complements existing parking meters, rather than replacing them;
- (ii) a procurement process that prioritises user-friendly and accessible technology with proven integration capabilities, ensuring compatibility between app payments, parking meters, and enforcement systems;
- (iii) public education and communication efforts to ensure residents, businesses, and visitors understand how to use the app alongside traditional payment methods; and
- (iv) ongoing monitoring of the system's effectiveness, with a review after 12 months to assess uptake, user experience, and any operational challenges; and

- (C) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to:
- (i) investigate suitable app-based parking payment solutions and report back to Council on capability and features, integration requirements, and costs;
 - (ii) ensure any selected system is fully compatible with Council's existing enforcement software and does not create inconsistencies in parking compliance;
 - (iii) develop an implementation timeline that includes a public awareness campaign, staff training, and a transition period for users; and
 - (iv) report to Council within 6 months on progress and expected timelines for introducing the new payment option.

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Item 13.11**Notices of Motion****Support for Moore Park Golf Course**

By Councillor Weldon

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) in October 2023, the NSW Government announced it would repurpose 20 hectares of Moore Park South into green open space for community recreation, reducing the current 18-hole golf course to just 9 holes;
- (ii) this proposal was developed in the Moore Park South Discussion Paper discussion paper. Consultation on this proposal was held between February and April 2024;
- (iii) feedback was invited via pop-up sessions, workshops, an online survey and written submissions;
- (iv) the City of Sydney encouraged residents to get involved in the consultation and have their say on the future of this public parkland;
- (v) the NSW Government released a consultation report in December 2024 outlining what they heard from the community, revealing:
 - (a) of the 8,240 people who responded to an online consultation survey, more than half called for the 18-holes of the golf course retained; and
 - (b) of 315 written submissions received, 238 submissions opposed the reduction of the golf course from 18 to 9 holes. Only 57 submissions supported the conversion to community parkland;
- (vi) a separate petition launched to retain 18-holes of golf at Moore Park has been signed by 29,500 supporters;
- (vii) in November 2024, Moore Park Golf Collective (comprising Golf Australia, PGA of Australia, Golf NSW and Moore Park Golf Club) released an alternative proposal for Moore Park South, which featured in the Collective's written submission to the NSW consultation process;
- (viii) the Collective's alternative proposal allows for the retention of the 18 holes of golf by substantially reducing the golf course footprint and maximising underutilised open space, creating a minimum of 15 hectares of quality and connected recreational space;

- (ix) the Collective's written submission demonstrates that:
 - (a) golf is one of the fastest growing sports in Australia, particularly for women and young people;
 - (b) more than 100,000 rounds of golf are played at Moore Park Golf Course annually;
 - (c) more than 80% of course usage is for a full 18-holes of golf; and
 - (d) there is a shortage of available and accessible golf courses in Sydney; and
 - (x) it's clear that the community wants to retain Moore Park Golf Course as a publicly accessible and affordable 18-hole course and that alternate options are available to deliver better and more feasible recreational facilities throughout the precinct;
- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the NSW Premier Chris Minns noting the community support for retaining an 18-hole golf course and that consideration should be given to the Moore Park Golf Collective's Alternate Proposal; and
- (C) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to consider options for improving and increasing open space at Moore Park whilst also retaining 18 holes of golf, and report back to Council within 3 months.

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Item 13.12**Notices of Motion****Vale Vic Simms**

By Councillor Weldon

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the recent passing of Bidjigal Elder Vic Simms, known to many as Uncle Vic or by his nickname Bunno;
- (ii) born on the La Perouse Mission in 1946, Vic rose to prominence as a child prodigy who began singing professionally aged just 11;
- (iii) he toured the country and became a household name with the release of his debut single “Yo-Yo Heart” and appearances on music television programs like Bandstand and Six O’Clock Rock;
- (iv) as his career stalled, Vic turned to alcohol and in 1968 was arrested for his part in a robbery and sentenced to 7 years imprisonment;
- (v) whilst serving his time, Vic learnt to play guitar and turned to songwriting to survive the tough conditions in Bathurst Goal. After capturing the interest of a group of visiting social workers, he was allowed to record a 10-song album, which was released as The Loner;
- (vi) composed and recorded behind bars, The Loner is now recognised as a timeless Aboriginal protest album and has been named in the 110 Best Australian Albums;
- (vii) after his release from prison, Vic started performing and touring again. In 2001, he was recognised at the Deadly Award for his Outstanding Contribution to Aboriginal Music;
- (viii) Vic dedicated much of his later years to community work. He was an active member of the La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council and he collaborated with the University of New South Wales to deliver cultural education sessions;
- (ix) in 2024, he was awarded the university’s highest honour, an honorary doctorate in recognition of his service to education and his community;
- (x) he will be remembered as a musical icon, a great storyteller and a beloved man with a generous spirit who was immersed in his community and culture; and
- (xi) Uncle Vic is survived by his wife Joan, 4 children, 15 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren;

- (B) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to Vic's family expressing Council's condolences;
and
- (C) all persons attending this meeting of Council observe one minute's silence to
commemorate Vic's life.

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