

Minutes of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee - 14 September 2026

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

At the commencement of business at 2:03pm those present were -

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

Hybrid Meeting Arrangements

The Chair (the Lord Mayor) advised that Councillor Arkins was attending the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee remotely, via audio visual link, pursuant to the provisions of clause 4.20 of the Code of Meeting Practice.

Apologies

Councillor Ellsmore extended her apologies for her inability to attend the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee.

Closed Meeting

At 2:49pm, it was moved by the Chair (the Lord Mayor), seconded by Councillor Kok, that the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee meeting be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions of Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, to discuss Item 6.6 on the agenda.

Open Meeting

At 3:00pm, the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee was reopened to the public.

The meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee concluded at 3:00pm.

Item 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 17 August 2026, as circulated to Councillors, be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

Item 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 recommended the following:

Item 3**Investments Held as at 31 August 2026**

It is resolved that the Investment Report as at 31 August 2026 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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Item 4**Project Scope - Paddington Town Hall Major Renewal**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council endorse the recommended project scope and use of spaces at Paddington Town Hall as described in the subject report for progression to required planning approvals, detailed design and documentation, and construction of works
- (B) Council endorse in principle the relocation of Eastside Radio to the lower ground floor accommodation grant program tenancy at 50-52 Darlinghurst Road, Kings Cross, subject to the terms as described in the subject report
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into any agreements with Woollahra Municipal Council and Eastside Radio Station that are required to give effect to (A) and (B) above.

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

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Speakers

David (Dudi) Rokach (Antenna Documentary Film Festival), Sarah Gilbert (Eastside Radio) and Tony Smythe (Eastside Radio) addressed the meeting of the Corporate, Finance, Properties and Tenders Committee on Item 4.

Item 5**International Travel - 40th Anniversary Sister City Celebrations - Guangzhou, China**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council endorse Councillor Robert Kok and Councillor Zann Maxwell in representing the Lord Mayor and the City of Sydney at the 40th Anniversary Sister City Celebrations in Guangzhou, China from 28 October to 5 November 2026
- (B) Council note that Councillor Robert Kok and Councillor Zann Maxwell will provide a report to Council after the travel
- (C) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to authorise minor variations to travel plans including dates and costs as required (increase of up to \$1,000 including GST).

(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 6**Tender - Reject and Negotiate and Contract Variation - T-2025-1717 - Operation and Maintenance of the Green Square Water Reuse Scheme**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council decline to accept the tender offers received under Tender T-2025-1717 for the operation and maintenance of the Green Square Water Reuse Scheme (GSWRS)
- (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 and to determine whether an appropriate long-term operation and maintenance arrangement can be secured
- (D) Council approve a variation to increase the total contract value and to extend the existing Major Services Agreement with Sydney Water Corporation for 9 months commencing 1 November 2026, with an option for a further 3 months, to allow sufficient time to undertake the negotiation process while maintaining continuity of the Green Square Water Reuse Scheme operations
- (E) Council note that the revised total contract value for this contract is outlined in Confidential Attachment A to the subject report
- (F) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise, execute and administer the variation to the contract to give effect to the resolutions above
- (G) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the option referred to in clause (E), if appropriate

- (H) Council be provided with updates on the operation and maintenance of the Green Square Water Reuse Scheme 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 the Chair (the Lord Mayor), and carried unanimously.)

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