

Item 4.1**Grant Recipient Change of Entity - 2025/26 Dixon Street Improvement Grant Program****File No: S117676****Memorandum by the Chief Executive Officer**

To Council:

On 15 December 2025, Council approved grant funding as part of the Dixon Street Improvement Grant program. This funding program supports capital works that improve shop and building frontages on Dixon Street south with matched funding that contributes to:

- the visible renewal of Dixon Street (south) shopfronts and facades, making the street more active and attractive
- the creation of a 'chef's gallery' bringing the theatre of food preparation to Dixon Street
- the distinct character and identity of Dixon Street as the historic heart of Chinatown.

City staff have been made aware of the need to amend one of the grants that was approved to account for a required change of recipient. The grant in question is a total of \$60,000 in cash originally awarded to Sweet Lu Pty Ltd (ABN 53 625 355 660) to support the shopfront and internal space upgrade of 2/63-69 Dixon Street.

In early January 2026, the City learnt that the lessee of the property in question is a different (but closely related) entity and therefore a change of grant recipient is required from Sweet Lu Pty Ltd (ABN 53 625 355 660) to Sweet Lu (City) Pty Ltd (ABN 87 637 193 590).

Sweet Lu (City) Pty Ltd is an Australian Private Company and is eligible to receive funding through the Dixon Street Improvement Grant program and City of Sydney staff are satisfied that providing the funds to this entity is required to ensure delivery of the project. The project, grant funding amount, and criteria for funding remain the same. In accordance with the resolution of Council of 15 December 2025 that approved this grant funding, Council is required to approve any change to the identity of a grant recipient.

Recommendation

It is resolved that Council approve the change of grant recipient for the shopfront and internal space upgrade of 2/63-69 Dixon Street as part of the Dixon Street Improvement Grant program from Sweet Lu Pty Ltd (ABN 53 625 355 660) to Sweet Lu (City) Pty Ltd (ABN 87 637 193 590).

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