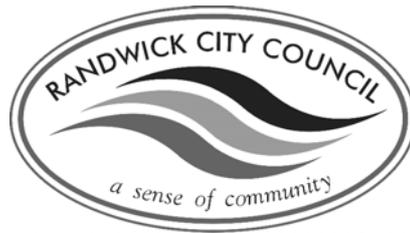


ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
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25th March, 2008

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council Meeting of the Council of the City of Randwick will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick, on Tuesday, 25 March 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

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GENERAL MANAGER

Mayoral Minute No. MM 9/08



Subject: "Living Local @ La Pa - Celebrate Neighbour Day" to be held at Cann Park on 29th March, 2008

Folder No: F2004/07859

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Council has received a request for assistance from *the Each and All Stronger Together* – (known as *EAST*) who are planning a "*Living Local @ La Pa – Neighbour Day*" BBQ at Cann Park, La Perouse on Saturday, 29th March, 2008, from 11.00 am – 2.00 pm.

Issues

Each & All Stronger Together (EAST) is a community group consisting of individuals with varying talents and interests. The group's main focus is to increase community involvement of people and organisations in the local area and consider this event an excellent way of gathering people together for an enjoyable day.

Each & All Stronger Together (EAST) have requested Council to fund equipment for this day including; stage, sound system and generator to the value of \$1,150.00 and waive the Administration Fee of \$134.90.

A variety of entertainment including Marilyn Cumming, Lil McKay and Maori Wahine Troupe, a talent quest and other entertainment has been organized for the day.

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$1,634.90 which could be funded from the 2007/08 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

The "*Living Local @ La Pa - Neighbour Day*" is considered a worthwhile local community event to provide a full day's entertainment for the community. *Each and All Stronger Together* is a voluntary community organisation with no government funding or other funding assistance.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council vote \$1,634.90 to cover the cost of equipment including stage, sound system and generator and Administration Fee associated with the "*Living Local @ La Pa - Neighbour Day*" to be held on Saturday, 29th March, 2008 and that these funds be allocated from the 2007/08 Contingency Fund;
- b) the event organisers undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution, prior to and during the event (by Council logo being prominently displayed on all promotional materials such as flyers, newspaper advertisements, etc, Council being mentioned as sponsor in any radio advertisements, sponsorship acknowledged in all local press and

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publicity); and

- c) the Mayor or the Mayor's representative be given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM 10/08



Subject: Walking Volunteer project in Randwick

Folder No: F2005/00321

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Outlining the Walking Volunteers project in Randwick City.

Issues

On Thursday this week I have the good fortune of launching the Clovelly to La Perouse and Cronulla to Kurnell, Walking Volunteers brochure and map at La Perouse Museum with Ms Sally Barnes, Deputy Director General, Parks & Wildlife Division of the Department of Environment and Climate Change. This significant achievement by the Walking Volunteers will complete the final leg in their efforts to prepare ten self-guided walking brochures covering Sydney Harbour, the north shore to Palm Beach and south through Randwick City around Botany Bay to Cronulla.

Over the past 15 months the Walking Volunteers have worked with and assisted over 2 dozen government agencies, local Councils and other organisations preparing a unique walking experience: producing extensive maps kindly supported by Sydway Street Directories Mapping Division; informative brochures with locally relevant walking notes and explanations; and internationally recognized signage to ensure walkers remain on track for their particular walk. These self-guided walks include part of the Federation Track (Brisbane to Central SA) and provide a variety of options to join the the Great North Walk (Sydney to Newcastle) and support the work of National Parks as well as promoting healthy lifestyles and recreational pursuits.

In addition the Walking Volunteers have created a substantial number of 2 to 4 hour family walks along the main routes each with their own downloadable leaflet (refer to www.walkingcoastalsydney.com.au).

The Walking Volunteer guides are modelled on the extensive walking tracks and guided walks throughout Europe and have been shown to enhance local tourism potential and the local experience for visitors. They also inform and encourage local residents to discover parts of their own area they may have taken for granted.

The coastal walkway section been supported by the Sydney Coastal Councils Group who received a small grant to assist the Walking Volunteers with parts of the signage and brochure costs. The initial Harbour Circle walk and extensions east and west have been supported by the Councils through which it passed, NPWS, Harbour Trust and the Department of Planning (Sharing Sydney Harbour Access Program).

A major part of the Walking Volunteers success is the voluntary nature of their group – as volunteers they have been able to work across local government areas and NPWS and Harbour Trust boundaries to create a consistent, creative and innovative approach that may have been well beyond a single organisation or much larger level of funding and costs.

I would like to record the sincere gratitude and appreciation not only of Council but of our ratepayers to the small but dedicated group of individuals making up the Walking Volunteers. I am sure in years to come that Sydneysiders, Councils and community

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members will be delighted to discover guided walks through areas they never knew existed. It may only be in many years to come that each level of government and the community come to realise the huge project carried out by the Walking Volunteers of Sydney.

Financial impact statement

Randwick's Sustaining our City staff have organised the launch event at the La Perouse Museum's. Each participating Council has contributed \$3,000 to the Sydney Coastal Council's Group for the printing and design costs of the brochures relevant to their area. This funding is paid through the Coastal Protection budget of the Environmental Levy program.

Conclusion

This is a significant achievement that delivers on important outcomes and directions of Randwick's 20-year City Plan. We should be grateful to the Walking Volunteers for their dedication to the task they have completed.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a) endorses and extends a special thanks and appreciation to each of the Walking Volunteers on behalf of the ratepayers of Randwick; and
- b) Council promotes the availability of the maps, brochures and walking notes through Council's libraries and website.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Mayoral Minute No. MM 11/08



Subject: Funding Variation from the
Department of Disability, Ageing & Home Care

Folder No: F2004/07688

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Late in 2007, the Minister for Community Services announced a direct allocation of recurrent funding from the Department of Disability, Ageing & Home Care (DADHC) to provide additional services and support in the Home & Community Care (HACC) program. The Randwick Home Maintenance and Modification Service was directly allocated \$15,000 annually to provide additional maintenance to eligible residents in Randwick City.

This brings the total funding provided by DADHC to Randwick Council to \$155,923 annually. DADHC have now asked Council to sign an 'Acceptance of Funding Variation' and to provide Council's Common Seal to the document which will then allow the funding to be released to Randwick Council.

Issues

The Randwick Home Maintenance and Modification Service (HMMS) has been providing services to eligible HACC residents for over 20 years. On a monthly basis, the service can complete over 160 jobs ranging from changing tap washers, fitting a hand rail in a bathroom or building an external ramp from a back door.

The additional funding will enable the Randwick HMMS to provide an additional 500 hrs of maintenance to our customers in Randwick City.

Financial impact statement

Council will attract an additional \$15,000 annually and there will be no additional costs to Council as a result of accepting this variation.

Conclusion

By accepting this offer of additional funding from the Department, the service will have the ability to expand its delivery of maintenance to older residents, people with disabilities and their carers who reside in Randwick City.

Recommendation

That:-

1. Council accept the variation in funding from DADHC by signing and stamping Council's common seal to the Variation of Funding document.
2. Council acknowledge the financial support from DADHC by displaying its logo on correspondence pertaining to Randwick HMMS.

Attachment/s:

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Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM 12/08



Subject: Footway Licences - Measurement of Leased Areas

Folder No: F2004/06351

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

After recent discussions at Council Meetings concerning footway licences and how they are policed, I commissioned an investigation into the best way to effectively identify leased areas for easier monitoring by Council rangers whilst presenting a professional image for Council.

Issues

Council's Property Coordinator held discussions with numerous Councils and found that the most effective and efficient way to police footway licences is to designate the areas in question using engraved aluminium markers which can be designed with Council's logo and contain wording such as "Outdoor Dining Area Permit Boundary" to use one example. In the past, tiles have been used to identify the boundaries of the licence area, but are unable to be relocated should the licence area change.

Financial impact statement

Each marker costs \$7.75 to produce so an amount of \$3,875.00 should be allocated from Council's 2007/08 Budget allowing for markers to be installed at all existing locations and to have sufficient in reserve for future footway licences.

Conclusion

These markers are easily stored and installed by Council staff, cannot be easily duplicated and are a very cost effective means of designating footway licences throughout Randwick City. They will assist Council rangers enormously and portray a very professional image for Council.

Recommendation

That:

- (a) Council design, purchase and install appropriate footway licence markers throughout Randwick City with \$3,875.00 to be allocated from the Council 2007/08 Budget;
- (b) Council's Property Coordinator prepare an implementation plan to ensure all authorised footway licences in Randwick City are clearly identified; and
- (c) Council's City Services Division undertake the installation of the markers in accordance with the implementation plan.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM 13/08



Subject: Kooloora Community Centre Request for Support

Folder No: F2006/00218

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Kooloora Community Centre is a small generalist neighbourhood centre that provides support and activities to residents that live in the South Ward of Randwick City. The centre receives moderate funding from the Department of Community Services, Department of Housing and Randwick City Council to run programs for residents and it relies heavily on the support from the wider community to offer an extensive range of services.

Issues

The Centre has just undergone an extension to the current building and in the process, a large deciduous tree that provided much needed shade in summer and a bench for seating was damaged to the point where they both needed removal. Ms Julie Spies, Coordinator of Kooloora Community Centre has written to Council to request financial support from Council to replace the tree and bench.

Financial impact statement

Should Council agree, the financial impact will be \$2200.00 and there will be no further cost to Council. This amount had not been budgeted and would need allocation from Council's Contingency fund.

Conclusion

Kooloora Community Centre provides a range of services that compliment Council's directions in the City Plan and meets the needs of residents in the South Ward. Whilst the provision of the requested items are not for direct activities in program delivery, the new bench and tree will contribute to the well being and enjoyment for people who use the centre.

Recommendation

That

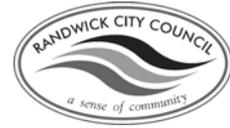
- a) Council provide a bench and large deciduous tree for the Kooloora site;
and
- b) Council allocate \$2,200 from the contingency fund.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM14/08



Subject: Donation of SES Vehicle to Temora Shire Council

Folder No: F2005/00294

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

As Council would be aware the Sister City relationship with Temora Shire Council has benefits for both communities. In continuing and strengthening Randwick City Councils' relationship, it is proposed to provide a surplus SES vehicle to Temora Shire Council.

Issues

The Daihatsu Delta Dual cab truck, Registration Number SES200, Plant Number 9507.1, is equipped with a purpose built service body, manufactured 10/90, with approximately 31,000 km and having an estimated value of \$8,000.

It is proposed that this surplus SES Vehicle be provided to Temora Shire Council, with a delivery date of June/July 2008, depending on the delivery of Randwick SES new vehicle.

Financial impact statement

The financial impact of this proposal is the reduction in income of \$8,000 to the plant reserve.

Recommendation

That Randwick City Council donate this vehicle to Temora Shire Council and this be funded from Council's Plant Reserve.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM15/08



Subject: CCTV at Coogee
Folder No: F2004/07501
Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

Council would be aware that at its Ordinary Meeting held on the 24 July 2007, on the motion of Councillor Woodsmith and Councillor Andrews, Randwick City Council resolved that:

"(a) Council write to the Eastern Beaches LAC seeking assistance with the establishment of the CCTV monitoring control room and with active surveillance; and

(b) Council seek expressions of interest from suitably experienced companies to provide Council with an installation strategy and 'order of cost' estimates."

The above resolution was subsequent to Council resolving (in August 2006) to proceed *in principle* with the installation and operation of CCTV at Coogee and other location throughout the City.

Issues

Council's *in principle* support for this project was predicated on a number of matters. Importantly, one of the determining factors for this initiative to proceed is funding for this project.

Council officers have previously reported that the anticipated CCTV system will consist of 20 to 25 cameras, which would cost in the order of \$150,000 to \$200,000. This does not include operational costs which would be determined by the method of system monitoring, which may be "real time" monitoring or recorded or a combination of both.

Notwithstanding that the precise details in respect to the costing a CCTV system have not been sought at this time, it is apparent that such a system will come at a substantial cost. In this regard, I am aware that the former Commonwealth Government provided funding of up to \$500,000 for major crime prevention projects, including the installation of CCTV systems, under its National Community Crime Prevention Programme. I am further advised that crime prevention funding is also available at the State level.

As part of the current investigations being conducted by Council officers regarding the *order of cost estimates* for a suitable CCTV system, I propose that Council write to the respective local members of both the State and Federal Parliaments to seek information and support with respect to the availability of government funding for this project.

Relationship to City Plan

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome: 6. A liveable City.

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Direction: 6c. The safety of our community is paramount and is acknowledged and supported through proactive policies, programmes and strategies

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

Without doubt, CCTV technology is an effective tool in crime prevention and modern day policing. In my view the benefits of CCTV, from a crime prevention and detection perspective, are obvious and should be supported at all levels of government.

As such, I propose that Randwick City Council write to the respective local members of both the State and Federal Parliaments to seek information and support with respect to the availability of government funding for the installation of a CCTV system at Coogee.

Recommendation

That Randwick City Council writes to the State Members of Coogee and Maroubra and the Federal Member for Kingsford-Smith seeking their support for government funding for the installation of CCTV at Coogee.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM16/08



Subject: Late Hour Entry Declarations at the
Coogee Bay Hotel and Beach Palace Hotel

Folder No: F2004/07501

Author: Councillor Notley-Smith, Mayor

Introduction

I, like most Australians, recognise that the consumption of alcohol, in moderation, is an important part of our social and cultural fabric. However, we must also recognise that alcohol misuse, alcohol related crime and alcohol anti-social behaviour can have far reaching health, social and economic consequences for our community.

I also believe that part of this problem is the 'round the clock' access to alcohol. There is an ever increasing body of reliable research which establishes an undeniable link between late-trading licensed premises and late night disturbances, damage to private and public property, street crime, anti-social behaviour and violence both inside and outside of late trading venues.

With two large late-trading hotels, the Coogee Bay Hotel and Beach Palace Hotel, operating in close proximity, residents of Coogee - as well as this Council - have been concerned with the impacts of these particular premises for a number of years. These concerns are well documented and do not require any elaboration. It is of further concern that the impacts of these hotels, notwithstanding increased policing and the introduction of a number of initiatives to improve late transport in the Coogee Basin, remain at an undesirable level.

As such, it is the purpose of this Mayoral Minute to outline to Council the possible imposition of a patron "Lock-out" at both hotels, mandated by new NSW liquor licensing laws which will commence on 1 July 2008. The introduction of this strategy, in my view, will provide the best prospects for reducing the impacts that these two large licensed premises continue to have on the Coogee Basin.

Background

Randwick City Council, as a member of both the Premier's Eastern Beaches Crime Prevention Partnership (CPP) and the Eastern Beaches Liquor Accord (EBLA), have collaboratively developed and implemented a number of strategies to provide better late night transport options and reduce incidents of alcohol related anti-social behaviour at Coogee. These strategies include:

- The Pumpkin Bus – began operating (Friday & Saturday nights from 12.45am) in the 2005/2006 Christmas Holiday period. The service is in its 3rd year of operation and runs from the October long week-end to Easter.

This initiative is specifically targeted at providing transport for patrons of Coogee's late trading licensed premises. The initiative is administered by Council and funded through the members of the Eastern Beaches Liquor Accord (with the Coogee licensed premises being major contributors).

- The Arden Street Secure Taxi Rank – was introduced in November 2006 by the Ministry of Transport after application for the "Rank" was made by Council.

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The Rank operates Friday and Saturday nights from 9.00am to 4.00am the following day, providing a minimum of two (2) security guards who manage the Rank. The Rank's primary aim is to provide safe late night taxi transport for both drivers and passengers, inturn attracting more cabs to Coogee to cater for the late night demand at week-ends.

The Rank is fully funded by the Ministry of Transport.

- Provision of security at Goldstein Reserve Public Toilets – this initiative was introduced, as a trial, by Council over the 2006/2007 Christmas Holiday period to reduce incidents of public urination at Coogee. Security personnel were contracted by Council to provide the static patrol of the public toilets between 10.00pm and 4.00am on week-ends. Over 5000 people used the toilets during the trial period.

Funding for the trial period was by a "one-off" funding provided by the Premier's Department and Council.

Notwithstanding that this initiative was endorsed as an overwhelming success by Police, the Eastern Beaches Liquor Accord and Council, negotiations in July 2007 with the major licensed premises and Chambers of Commerce at Coogee failed to secure the necessary funding to continue this strategy.

- Negotiations with the Ministry of Transport to alter the bus time tables to better reflect the closing times of the hotel establishments.

The above strategies - effective as they have been in providing late night transport options and toilet facilities – can only be described as 'secondary' and do little to address the direct impacts associated with patron migrating between the two premises, or deter making Coogee a late night destination after other premises outside of the area close.

To address these issues and to reduce the number of non-domestic assaults at Coogee the implementation of a voluntary "Lock-out" at the Coogee Bay Hotel and Beach Palace Hotel formed part of the Action Plan for the CPP. To progress this matter, two meetings have been conducted with representatives from the Coogee Bay Hotel and the Beach Palace Hotel in respect to the implementation of voluntary Lock-outs at the respective hotels.

The first meeting with respect to the implementation of a voluntary "Lock-out" at the Coogee Bay Hotel and Beach Palace Hotel took place at Randwick City Council on the 24 July 2006. At this meeting Police and Council outlined the primary purpose of the CPP and the collective concerns of the CPP in regard to alcohol related crime at the Coogee Basin (an identified "Hot-spot"). No commitment from the hotel premises was obtained as a result of this meeting.

Further discussions were held on the 10 December 2007 with the owners of both premises attended this meeting. Police, Council and the NSW Office of Liquor Gaming and Racing again articulated the view that a "Lock-out" is required to be implemented at both hotel premises. Again, the premises failed to give a commitment for the implementation of a voluntary "Lock-out".

Subsequently, at the February 2008 meeting of the CPP it was proposed that Police and Council meet with the Director of Liquor and Gaming to discuss the best possible way to progress this issue.

In this regard, I can advise Council that on the 13 March 2007, the General Manager, Superintendent Philip Rogerson and Superintendent Peter McErlain from NSW Police

met with Mr Albert Gardner – NSW Director of Liquor, Gaming and Racing to discuss this matter, including the ability to make a “Late hour entry declaration” under the new *Liquor Act 2007*.

Liquor Act 2007 (Late hour entry declarations)

The *Liquor Act 2007* (the Act) was passed by the NSW Parliament on the 5 December 2007 and will commence on the 1 July 2008. The Act represents a complete re-write of NSW liquor laws with major changes to the regulation of licensed premises across NSW.

Relevantly, under the new Act the Director of Liquor, Gaming and Racing will assume a number of important regulatory functions, including the power to make “Late hour entry declarations”. These novel provisions are contained within Division 5 of Part 5 of the Act and confer upon the *Director*, the power to make a declaration which prevents patron entering a licensed premises after a specified time notwithstanding that the premises is permitted to trade beyond that time (see s. 87 of the Act).

Section 88 of the Act provides that it is an offence to permit patrons to enter or re-enter the licensed premises at a time when the “Late hour entry declaration” applies (Maximum penalty of \$5,500).

The Act also provides procedural fairness and consultative provisions which require the *Director* to allow 21 days for a Licensee of an affected premises and the local consent authority to make written submissions in respect to the proposed late hour entry declaration. The *Director* must take into consideration any submissions received from the Licensee or the local consent authority before deciding to make a late hour entry declaration.

I have been advised notwithstanding that the Act is yet to commence; there is nothing to prevent Council from preparing a submission to the *Director* to request that a “Late hour entry declaration” be imposed at the Coogee Bay Hotel and Beach Palace Hotel when the Act is commenced. However, such a submission would need to be supported by sufficient information, including documented empirical data which demonstrates the necessity for making a *declaration*.

The proposed late hour entry declaration

I therefore propose that the General Manager in conjunction with the Eastern Beaches Police make a joint submission to the NSW Director of Liquor, Gaming and Racing to impose a “Late hour entry declaration” at the Coogee Hotel and Beach Palace Hotel, upon the commencement of the *Liquor Act 2007*.

The submission should articulate, with the required supporting information, that a *declaration* should be made which prevents the no further entry (or re-entry) of patrons at both hotel premises after **1.00am the following day on Friday and Saturday nights**.

This will reduce the migratory impact of patrons from the Beach Palace Hotel to the Coogee Bay Hotel at the week-end 3.00am close. It is also envisaged that by preventing entry to both premises after 1.00am will discourage the influx of the large numbers of people who travel or who are transported to Coogee from outside of the area after midnight to attend the late trading hotels. This will significantly reduce the potential for incidents of late night disturbances, alcohol related crime and other alcohol related harm within the Coogee Basin.

In this regard, it is the view of Council officers that the introduction of a patron "Lock-out" at 1.00am on week-ends is the optimum time. After 1.00am the efficacy of a "Lock-out" would progressively diminish.

Relationship to City Plan

The relationship with the City Plan is as follows:

Outcome: 6. A liveable City.

Direction: 6c. The safety of our community is paramount and is acknowledged and supported through proactive policies, programmes and strategies

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

The new *Liquor Act 2007*, which commences on the 1 July 2008, confers upon the NSW Director of Liquor, Gaming and Racing the power to make a "Late hour entry declaration" which prevents patron entering a licensed premises after a specified time notwithstanding that the premises is permitted to trade beyond that time.

For the reasons outlined in this Minute, I propose that Randwick City Council in conjunction with the Premier's Eastern Beaches Crime Prevention Partnership carry out the necessary work to prepare a submission to request that the NSW Director of Liquor, Gaming and Racing make a "Late hour entry declaration" to prevent patrons from entering the Coogee Bay Hotel and Beach Palace Hotel after 1.00am the following day on Friday and Saturday nights.

Recommendation

That:

1. The General Manager, in conjunction with the Premier's Eastern Beaches Crime Prevention Partnership, undertake the necessary action and prepare a submission to the NSW Director of Liquor, Gaming and Racing requesting that a "Late hour entry declaration" be made to prevent the entry of patrons after 1.00am the following day on Friday and Saturday nights, at:
 - (a) the Coogee Bay Hotel situated at 212 Arden Street, Coogee, and
 - (b) the Beach Palace Hotel situated at 169 -181 Dolphin Street, Coogee, and
2. The above submission is completed and forwarded to the NSW Director of Liquor, Gaming and Racing upon the commencement of the *Liquor Act 2007*.

Attachment/s:

Nil

Mayoral Minute No. MM17/08



Subject: City Parks Improvement Program
Folder No: F2004/06495
Author: Mark Shaw, Manager Technical Services

Introduction

I am proposing a new program for Council to be included in the 2008-09 Budget, the City Parks Improvement Program.

A fundamental part of this program is the implementation of the Water Saving Initiatives for Randwick that I previously put forward to Council.

Issues

Council at its meeting of the 27 November 2007 adopted Mayoral Minute 127/2007 concerning new water saving initiatives for Randwick including that Council endorses:

- a) the vision that within 20 years, not one drop of water will be going to the ocean in Randwick without first being re-used in some form: and
- b) that within 20 years all residents will be using as much of their own rainwater, greywater and stormwater as practicable; and
- c) that this vision principles and objectives upon which it is based are incorporated into the 2008 review of our strategic City Plan.

Issues

There are a number of projects to be undertaken to reduce the storm water escaping into the sea. These include storm water harvesting, collecting stormwater within parks, aquifer recharge and a number of other initiatives. Randwick Council in conjunction with other agencies needs to start work on programs and works to reduce the reliance on potable water. A number of suitable projects have been identified that could be commenced in the 2008-09 budget year.

Further, the upgrade of City Parks is of paramount importance and I will be bringing a Mayoral Minute to Council in the future with a Works Program and priority listing for our parks.

Financial impact statement

An allocation of \$700,000 in the 2008/2009 budget for City Parks Improvement Program is considered an appropriate amount to commence this program.

Conclusion

In order to begin work on the vision that within 20 years, not one drop of water will be going to the ocean in Randwick without first being re-used in some form, it is considered that an allocation of \$700,000 in the 2008-09 budget is required to allow for investigations, planning and implementation of storm water reuse projects and for the general upgrade of our City Parks.

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Recommendation

That Council allocate \$700,000 to the City Parks Improvement Program for park improvements and storm water reuse projects.

Attachment/s:

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