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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, 23 October 2012 at 6pm.

Mayoral Minutes

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Mayoral Minute No. MM79/12

Subject: Friends of the La Perouse Museum - sponsorship of Alter Stones unveiling event

Folder No: F2004/07396

Author: Councillor Bowen, Mayor



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Introduction

At the Council meeting of 24 April 2012 it was resolved:

'(Mayor, Cr Nash) that Council approve the purchase of the "Altar Stones" that were used in the very first Catholic Christian service held in Australia and a bronze reproduction of the engraved eucalyptus tree trunk which was used to mark the grave of chaplain Pere Receveur, with the \$10,000.00 to come from the 2011-12 Contingency Fund.'

Issues

The Friends of the La Perouse Museum have recently contacted me indicating that the Alter Stones are now at the Museum and that they would like to organise a small function, and invite all the Councillors, Patrons and members to join them for an official unveiling. This is likely to be an early evening function.

The Friends of the La Perouse Museum have asked Council to sponsor the proposed unveiling function.

The local media will be invited and the Catholic Weekly as the Altar Stone represents the first Catholic Mass in Australia's history as well as its use at the first Christian burial service in both Randwick City and Australia.

Financial impact statement

The Friends of the La Perouse Museum have requested a donation of \$500 to fund the proposed event and, if the report recommendation is adopted, this will be funded from the 2012-13 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

I have been asked to officiate at the proposed function (as Mayor and Patron of the Museum) and on behalf of Council as the sponsor of the purchase (and now official owner) of the Alter Stones.

Given the historic value and significance of the Alter Stones it is considered appropriate for Council to sponsor the unveiling event.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council agree to sponsor an unveiling event at the La Perouse Museum for the recently acquired Alter Stones by donating \$500 to the Friends of the La Perouse Museum to fund the proposed event.

- b) this donation be funded from the 2012-13 Contingency Fund.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM80/12

Subject: 12th Annual Des Renford Chair of Hearts Research Family Gala and Charity Day - Use of Des Renford Aquatic Centre



Folder No: F2008/00064

Author: Councillor Bowen, Mayor

Introduction

The Des Renford Chair of Heart Research was established in memory of Des Renford who was a famous long distance swimmer and strong supporter of Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute.

On Sunday 4 November 2012, the Des Renford Aquatic Centre will be hosting the twelfth annual family day and swim challenge to raise money for the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute. On this day there are many activities including sausage sizzle, water slides, canoe polo and many other free activities run by community groups enabling them to promote their services.

Funds are raised through a \$3.00 donation upon entry, sale of food and drinks, raffles and a Swimathon sponsored by family and friends.

Issues

Randwick City Council has supported this event since it began in November 2000. Council has been asked to provide support as per previous years by the provision of:

- Stage and Public Announcement system;
- Tables, chairs, barricades and Sulo garbage bins;
- Printing of posters and flyers;
- Advertising the event through the 'Regarding Randwick' page in the Southern Courier;
- Pool lifeguards and first aid officers;
- Jumping Castle;
- Use of Des Renford Aquatic Centre

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the recommendation, the financial implication to Council, inclusive of waiving fees, would be in the vicinity of \$8,500.

Conclusion

Council has been supporting the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute for the past 11 years in the form of a family open day at the Des Renford Aquatic Centre. This event is a major annual fundraiser and has proven very successful for the Institute and very well supported by the local community.

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Recommendation

That Council vote \$8,500.00 to cover the costs associated with Council's contribution towards the organising and staging of the Des Renford Family Day and Swim Challenge to be held on Sunday 4 November 2012 for the purpose of raising money for the Victor Chang Cardiac Foundation and this be funded from the Contingency Fund 2012-13.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM81/12

Subject: Inglis Planning Proposal- Referral to JRPP

Folder No: F2009/00408

Author: Councillor Bowen, Mayor



Introduction

On 6 December 2011, Council resolved not to proceed with the Planning Proposal (LEP) for the Inglis Newmarket site fronting Barker Street, Randwick.

The Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, the Hon Brad Hazzard MP, wrote to Council on 25 September 2012 (copy attached) advising that he has directed the Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP) to be the 'Relevant Planning Authority' (RPA) for the Inglis Planning Proposal. The Minister noted that *'the site represents a significant housing opportunity in the well serviced and targeted growth area of the Randwick Education and Health Specialised centre'*.

Current Position

A Planning Proposal must be assessed under the rezoning (LEP) process set out under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 and community consultation is required as part of this process.

I am of the strong opinion that all Planning Proposals should be considered and dealt with by local government. This must be the approach taken as it is consistent with the State Government's repeated advice that all local planning powers will be returned to local government.

I will nevertheless seek to ensure that Councillors and the community will be informed as to the process and next stages of the rezoning process to be undertaken by the JRPP as the RPA for the Inglis Planning Proposal and of the opportunities to have a say on the proposal.

Council officers have also recently written to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure seeking clarification of the process for the Planning Proposal which had commenced through the 'Gateway' stage requiring studies to be prepared, but did not proceed to public exhibition.

Conclusion

I note that the Planning Proposal considered by Council in December 2011 comprised some 760-790 dwellings in a variety of housing types across the 5ha site, with up to 9 storeys along Barker Street and 8 storeys fronting Paine Reserve. I am strongly concerned that the proposal is an overdevelopment of the site in relation to its surrounds, including the Struggletown Conservation Area, schools and open space as well as other potential impacts such as traffic and parking.

Recommendation

That Councillors:

- a) note this Mayoral Minute and express their strong objection to the State Government over its decision to direct that the JRPP should deal with the

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Planning Proposal for the Inglis Newmarket site, noting that the proposal is an overdevelopment of the site.

- b) agree to write to the Local Member and the Minister for Planning expressing Council's concerns about this proposal and the process.

Attachment/s:

1. Minister for Planning and Infrastructure letter 25 September 2012 regarding Inglis Planning Proposal

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Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW

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Dear Mr Brownlee

I refer to your letter of 18 July 2012 concerning the planning proposal for the rezoning of the Inglis Stables site, Randwick.

I have noted Council's position not to proceed with the proposal in its current form or to proceed with any amendments including those put forward in a Council commissioned independent report. Despite Council's offer to meet with the applicant to further discuss ways to bring the planning proposal forward for Council's reconsideration, I do not believe that a satisfactory outcome is likely to be achieved in an efficient timeframe.

The site represents a significant housing opportunity in the well serviced and targeted growth area of the Randwick Education and Health Specialised centre. I am, therefore, concerned that such opportunities should not be allowed to lapse.

This planning proposal is now well beyond its initial and revised Gateway Determination timetable for completion. In view of Council's reluctance to progress the planning proposal, and in order to progress the planning proposal to enable public exhibition to be undertaken I have elected to direct the relevant Joint Regional Planning Panel to be the relevant planning authority for the planning proposal, pursuant to section s54(2)(d) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Council may be assured that its concerns about the scale of development and other site specific issues will be considered by the Joint Regional Planning Panel. With this in mind, I would appreciate if the Council would forward all relevant studies and supporting information so far prepared for the planning proposal to the Sydney East Joint Planning Panel.

I look forward to progress in this matter. If you have any enquiries, I have arranged for Ms Juliet Grant of the Sydney Region East Office of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure to assist you. Ms Grant can be contacted on telephone number 9228 6113.

Yours sincerely


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Mayoral Minute No. MM82/12

Subject: Finalist in National Training Excellence Awards

Folder No: F2012/00314

Author: Councillor Bowen, Mayor



Introduction

Randwick City Council submitted an entry to the Australian Institute of Training and Development, 2012 National Training Excellence Awards. Our signature learning and development program 'All Stops To Randwick', which is our largest cross-departmental project was entered under the category of 'Australian Learning Innovation'. I am very pleased to advise that Council was recognised for best practice learning and development by being selected as a finalist in this most prestigious Award.

Issues

The Award ceremony was held Thursday 18 October, and recognises excellence in learning and development and organisational development. The category 'Australian Learning Innovation' is considered the highest recognition in these Awards and judging is also subject to peer-review. The other finalists in this category were:

1. Ausgrid
2. CSIRO in conjunction with Human Capital International & Seed Consulting
3. Skilled Up in conjunction with Microsoft

The winner of this category was Skilled Up in conjunction with Microsoft. It was a highly contested Award and our achievements in learning and development were publically acknowledged by the judges and Australian Institute of Training and Development.

Financial impact statement

Costs for two learning and development staff to attend this Award ceremony funded from the current Learning and Development budget.

Conclusion

Congratulations to the staff at Randwick City Council on being selected as a finalist in the Australian Institute of Training and Development, National Training Excellence Awards 2012.

Recommendation

That Council recognise Randwick City Council's achievement on being selected as a finalist in the National Training Excellence Awards in their highest category being 'Australian Learning Innovation'.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM83/12

Subject: Gurriwal Community Yarra Bay House
- donation of plants from Council's
Community Nursery



Folder No: F2004/07430

Author: Councillor Bowen, Mayor

Introduction

A request has been received from the Gurriwal Community (based at Yarra Bay House) for Council's to support their 4th Annual Breast Cancer Fundraising morning by donating pink flowering natives.

Issues

Council's Community Nursery has a number of flowering natives (including pink flowering natives such as pig face, kangaroo paw and grevilleas). The intention is for volunteers to plant them for the Breast Cancer Fundraiser morning tea.

In addition, a donation of Geebungs has been requested to replace some plants that went mission earlier this year after the bush tucker track was opened at Yarra Bay.

Financial impact statement

The cost of the requested will be in the order of \$300 and this will be funded from the 2012-13 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

Given that the morning tea is being held on Wednesday 24 October (tomorrow) I have agreed to the provision of the plants in question, which were picked up from the Nursery today. This is considered a worthwhile cause for Council to support, particularly given Council's partnership with the Cancer Council.

Recommendation

That Council confirm the donation of pink flowering plants to the value of \$300 to the Gurriwal Community for planting in conjunction with their 4th annual Breast Cancer Fundraiser and that the cost of the plants be funded from the 2012-13 Contingency Fund.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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