

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
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MAYORAL MINUTES

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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, First Floor, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick on Tuesday, 25 February 2014 at 6:00pm.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM2/14



Subject: Support for Sydney Multicultural Services Seniors Carnivale

Folder No: F2006/00216

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

Randwick City Council works closely with Sydney Multicultural Community Services (Sydney MCS) through our Community Programs and partnerships team and the Randwick City Council Multicultural Advisory Committee.

Issues

Sydney MCS has approached Randwick City Council for support for its 2014 Multicultural Seniors Carnivale in the form of use of the Prince Henry Community Centre's Carwood room on Wednesday 19 March.

Sydney MCS is an important community partner in the Randwick Local Government area and support our local culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) residents through many programs and events. The 2014 Multicultural Seniors Carnivale is being organised for our local senior residents as a part of Senior's Week celebrations. Over 180 CALD seniors are expected at the celebration.

Financial impact statement

Financial impact for the hire of the Prince Henry Centre's Cawood room is \$2,098.50. This covers the hire of the venue, the set up and pack down labour costs. The estimated costs of this can be funded from the 2013-14 Contingency Fund budget.

Conclusion

Randwick City Council should support the valuable work of Sydney MCS through the provision of the Prince Henry Centre Cawood room for this annual event.

Recommendation

That Randwick Council contribute \$2,098.50 towards the cost of holding the Sydney MSC 2014 Multicultural Seniors Carnivale event at the Prince Henry Centre's Cawood room on Wednesday 19 March 2014, to be allocated from the 2013-14 Contingency Fund.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM3/14



Subject: La Perouse Museum and Headland Trust

Folder No: F2013/00576

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

I am pleased to report that the La Perouse Museum and Headland Trust held its first meeting on Monday 16 December 2013. The members of the trust comprise of:

- the Mayor (Chair);
- three (3) other Randwick Councillors (currently Crs Bowen, Matson and Andrews) as selected annually by Council;
- an officer of the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage;
- the French Consul-General or his duly authorised representative;
- the representative of the La Perouse Aboriginal Land Council;
- the representative of the Friends of La Perouse Museum Association;
- an independent community representative with expertise in heritage conservation.

Issues

At the meeting, among other issues, the Trust considered proposals for the La Perouse Day and Bastille Day events. It was noted at the meeting that Council has provided funding for these events in the past amounting to \$10,000 for both events. The Trust expressed its support for the proposals and resolved to recommend to Council that funding be provided for the La Perouse Day and Bastille Day events.

Financial Impact Statement

The total cost of the two events will be \$10,000.

The cost for the La Perouse Day event is \$4,000 and it is proposed to be funded through the Contingency Fund budget.

Funding for the Bastille Day event is proposed to be funded in the 2014-2015 "Events Budget".

Conclusion

The La Perouse Day and Bastille Day events are significant community events which celebrate our cultural history and the diversity of our community and have been held in La Perouse Headland for a number of years. Accordingly, I commend to Council that it continues its support of these events through a funding allocation as detailed above.

Recommendation

That Council endorse:

- a) the provision of \$4,000 for the La Perouse Day event from the 2014-15 Contingency Fund budget.

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- b) the provision of \$6,000 for the Bastille Day event from the 2014-15 Events budget.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM4/14



Subject: Waiving of fees - Australian Beach Handball Federation.

Folder No: F2014/00096

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

A request has been received from Mr Patrik Weiss, Assistant Manager, Australian Beach Handball Federation, requesting to waive the beach hire fees for the use of Maroubra Beach for a total of four days in April and May 2014.

Issues

Mr Weiss advises that the training squad of approximately 50 athletes would like to use Maroubra Beach to train for the World Championships in Brazil in August 2014. This trip will be self funded by the players. In correspondence Mr Weiss also advises that the Australian Beach Handball Federation is a non-profit organisation.

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$1,944.48 (\$486.12 x 4 days). This amount will be charged to the 2013-14 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

On the basis that the Australian Beach Handball Federation is a non for profit organisation, I recommend Council supports the waiving of the beach hire fees for the Federation to train for the upcoming 2014 World Championship Games in Brazil.

Recommendation

That:

- a) the Beach Hire Fee amount of \$1,944.48 be waived and funds be allocated from the 2013-14 Contingency Fund;
- b) the activity organisers undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the activity; and
- c) the Mayor or his representative be given the opportunity to address the activity on behalf of Council.

Attachment/s:

Nil

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Mayoral Minute No. MM5/14



Subject: Council support of Australand's corporate volunteer clean up around Bare Island La Perouse

Folder No: F2008/00586

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

Australand Property Group has written to Council seeking support for their scuba clean up around Bare Island La Perouse.

Issues

Australand Property has a strong commitment to their corporate volunteer program, enabling staff to assist community based projects each year. This year Australand has written to Council seeking support for their Dive against Debris which they are holding around Bare Island at La Perouse of Friday, 28 February from 10am to 4pm. Dive against Debris is being organised as part of the National Clean Up Australia Day effort occurring that same weekend.

Australand are involving their scuba trained staff to work in with other volunteer scuba divers from the Abyss Scuba Club and Project Aware Foundation. The Chief Financial Officer of Australand is participating in the event as part of the staff involvement. Project Aware volunteers will ensure the items collected are counted and catalogued to maximize the level of resource recovery while Abyss Scuba will provide a number of qualified Dive Masters over the course of the day.

Clean Up Australia Day is, of course, an icon on the Australian environmental calendar attracting half a million community volunteers across more than 7,000 sites across Australia picking up tonnes of rubbish on the day. While there will be other sites across Randwick, the Australand corporate volunteer clean up round Bare Island on the Friday will provide a strong and positive example for those considering involvement in the weekend event.

I will be trying to visit a number of sites on the day and encourage Councillors to support clean up activities in their own neighbourhoods.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter as the rubbish and other material are picked up from registered clean up sites as part of Council's litter clean up service.

Conclusion

This is a worthwhile project to support in that Australand's corporate volunteers will contribute to the involvement of their staff and their participation also contributes to the strong and positive outcomes of Clean Up Australia Day in Randwick.

Recommendation

That Council endorses this worthwhile project and congratulates Australand for their involvement at Bare Island La Perouse as part of the national Clean Up Australia

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effort.

Attachment/s:

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Mayoral Minute No. MM6/14



Subject: Council Recognition as Ambassador of the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute

Folder No: F2007/00529

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

Council has been a major supporter of the Victor Chang Cardiac Foundation for many years.

The purpose of this Mayoral Minute is to advise that Council has been officially recognised for its ongoing support of the Victor Chang Cardiac Foundation over many years by being awarded the title of "Ambassador of the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute."

Issues

It was my privilege to represent Council at an awards function held on 17 December 2013 where Life Governors and Ambassadors were inducted into the Institute, including Randwick City Council, which is a great honour.

The framed Ambassador award is going to be hung at the Des Renford Leisure Centre as a reminder of Council's generous support of the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute and its continued promotion of its efforts to fight heart disease and its achievements. Council also received a glass "statue" which will go on display in the cabinet in the reception area for viewing by our community.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

The Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute continues the work done by this great Australian and Council is proud to be a supporter of such a worthy cause.

Recommendation

That Council note its induction as an Ambassador of the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute in recognition of its long term support of such a worthy cause and continue to support this invaluable initiative.

Attachment/s:

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Mayoral Minute No. MM7/14



Subject: Support for First Hand Solutions and Black Market, tours and workshops on Bare Island

Folder No: F2006/00216

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

Randwick City Council supports Aboriginal cultural events and organisations in the local government area.

First Hand Solutions Aboriginal Corporation is a registered charity and has Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status. It aims to address disadvantage and poverty experienced by Indigenous people, and in particular at-risk youth, through education, training, employment and cultural engagement.

First Hand Solutions has developed a social enterprise venture, where all proceeds go back into the organisation and directly benefit the local community.

Issues

First Hand Solutions Aboriginal Corporation (FHSAC) has approached Randwick City Council for financial assistance to officially launch, on Sunday 2 March, its monthly *Black Markets, Tours and Workshops on Bare Island*. This is a celebration of local Aboriginal culture, and a way of connecting local young people with their culture and the history of Bare Island and the surrounding area.

Black Markets is a social enterprise project that supports local residents to make and sell local handicraft at the monthly market on Bare Island. The aim is to encourage local residents to create their own articles for sale, foster local cultural engagement and create new business opportunities. The monthly markets will be accompanied by high quality cultural workshops and tours for visitors to La Perouse and Bare Island.

The monthly markets and cultural activities on Bare Island are also supported by the La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council, and the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service.

In December 2013, FHSAC held a trial market day which was very well received by residents and visitors. FHSAC will be officially launching this monthly event on Sunday 3 March.

I met with the organisers on Tuesday 11 February 2014. They had called the meeting to discuss the project with me, and did not ask for any Council support. However, I think this is a very worthwhile project and I would like Council to make a contribution towards its success.

I recommend that Council make a one-off financial contribution of \$2,120 to cover the following costs:

- Public Liability Insurance for community stall holders (\$1,400); and

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- Workshop fees (\$720) for 6 young people from the local Aboriginal community to enable them to engage with their culture and to assist with future employment opportunities in the tourism and hospitality sector.

Financial impact statement

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$2,120. There are sufficient funds in the 2013-14 Contingency Fund to cover this contribution.

Conclusion

I believe this is a very worthwhile and innovative social enterprise initiative by the First Hand Solutions Aboriginal Corporation. It addresses disadvantage and poverty experienced by members of our Indigenous communities, in particular at-risk youth, through education, employment and cultural engagement. The markets and cultural workshops will also provide a unique cultural experience for visitors to the La Perouse headland.

Recommendation

That Council contribute \$2,120 to First Hand Solutions Aboriginal Corporation to help cover the cost of launching the monthly Black Markets, Tours and Workshops on Bare Island on 3 March 2014. The funds shall be allocated from the 2013 - 14 Contingency Fund.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM8/14



Subject: Milestone in Revitalisation of
Matraville Town Centre

Folder No: F2009/00243

Author: Councillor Nash, Mayor

Introduction

It is with great pleasure that I advise Council that I will be conducting the official opening of the new Woolworths Supermarket in the Matraville Shopping Centre on Thursday 27 February 2014. This is an important event for the Matraville community and is symbolic of the great progress being made by Council in the revitalisation of Matraville Town Centre.

Issues

The Matraville Town Centre Action Plan was initially developed in 2010 by Council with the aim of revitalising the Matraville commercial centre. The implementation of Council's vision has been led by the Economic Development team, in particular our Economic Development Officer, Ms Suzanne Williamson. Council's initiatives include:

- an offer of a 3 month period in which to lodge a fee free DA for Outdoor/Footpath dining, and following the DA approval, a 12 month fee free period to trial outdoor/footpath dining;
- all land and business owners in the Matraville commercial centre were invited to attend the community consultations for the development of the Matraville Town Centre Action Plan. Copies of all Matraville related Council planning documents were available at both consultation meetings and have been made available ever since, including on our website;
- completed works include the Bunnerong Road median strip design, materials and plantings, new banner poles and banners. Planned works include additional public seating and public bike racks;
- the Heffron Park and Chifley Sports Reserve plans of management are currently being implemented in scheduled stages which will both increase traffic in the Matraville Town Centre;
- Council promotes all Matraville community events through the Mayor's Message in the Southern Courier and on the Randwick Council website, the event calendar on the Randwick City Council website, the Randwick eNewsletters, and on the myRandwick smart phone app. Council assists with the promotion of the Matraville Christmas Carols by waiving fees for promotional street banners. Council also supports the annual Matraville Christmas Carols with a significant cash donation and in kind support;
- ten additional banner poles with specially designed 'Matraville' banners (the design was chosen by the Matraville precinct) to emphasise the gateways into the Matraville town centre were installed along Bunnerong Road in September 2012;
- the median strip planting along Bunnerong Road through the Matraville Town Centre has been redesigned and replanted;
- Council continues to work with the Chamber of Commerce to provide business support and networking events;
- Council is currently developing a partnership with the Eastern Suburbs Business Enterprise Centre (ESBEC) to provide business support and free business related workshops to the businesses of Matraville and Randwick City;

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- the General Manager and the Director City Services undertook a site visit and inspected the existing parking signage and all requested changes to existing signage and requested additional signage directing visitors to public parking in the Matraville Town Centre have been put in place;
- Council will continue to address the adopted medium and long term actions as part of Council's Matraville Town Centre Action Plan.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

The abovementioned actions have been instrumental in breathing new life back into the Matraville Town Centre. This has led to businesses such as Woolworths coming back to Matraville and the future for this town centre now looks very bright. I encourage all Councillors to attend the opening on Thursday as a show of support for the Matraville Town Centre.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council's Economic Development team be congratulated for their work towards the revitalisation of the Matraville Town Centre and continue to implement the medium and long term strategies outlined in the Matraville Town Centre Action Plan; and
- b) all Councillors be invited and encouraged to attend the official opening of the new Woolworths Supermarket in the Matraville Shopping Centre on Thursday 27 February 2014.

Attachment/s:

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