

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

MAYORAL MINUTES SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS PAPER

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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 September 2018 at 6:00 P.M.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM55/18

Subject: **Surf Life Saving and Pool**

Rescue Coaching Clinic - Use of a sense of community

Des Renford Leisure Centre Pool

Folder No: F2004/07412

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

Council has received a request for assistance from Mr George Benhayen on behalf of the Surf Lifesaving Sydney Branch, who would like to stage up to 6 rescue training courses for Surf Club members at the Des Renford Leisure Centre between October 2018 and April 2019.

They are requesting waiver of the associated pool hire fees.

Issues

Surf Lifesaving Sydney Branch are proposing to utilise 3 lanes of the outdoor pool at the Des Renford Leisure Centre for a three hour period to teach Surf Life Saving skills, Tube Rescues and under water retrievals. The aim of the program is for participants to gain confidence in a pool environment before transferring these skills into an ocean environment. They also will try and encourage parents to become officials and /or volunteers for their local surf clubs.

It is proposed that the participants pay normal entry fees into DRLC but coaches receive free entry during the program times.

DRLC has many bookings during the October 2018 to April 2019 period. Surf Lifesaving Sydney Branch will need to work with DRLC to find mutually agreeable times for their program to operate.

Financial impact statement

In the event that Council accepts the report recommendation, the direct financial implication to Council to hold six events will be \$6,102 which will be funded from the 2018-19 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch wishes to teach Life Saving skills in a controlled environment to help participants gain confidence in the skills learnt before transferring them to the ocean environment. This is a sound and logical approach which will provide the opportunity to gain experience when using new skills.

It is considered that Council should support the proposed rescue training course by waiving the fees for the pool hire at Des Renford Leisure Centre working around current facility bookings.

Recommendation

That:

a) Council vote \$6,102 from the 2018-19 Contingency Fund to cover the hire fees for the Des Renford Leisure Centre;

- b) coaches associated with the program receive free entry to DRLC whilst the program is operating;
- c) mutually agreeable times are arranged with DRLC and the organiser for the program to operate; and
- d) the organiser undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution to Club members.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM56/18

Subject: Support for Campaign for

Permanent Indigenous Flag on

Sydney Harbour Bridge

Folder No: F2006/00253

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

Council has received a request from Ms Cheree Toka, a Kamilaroi woman with family ties to North Western NSW, Gunnedah and Moree to support a campaign she initiated back in January 2017 to fly the Aboriginal flag on top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge 365 days a year, rather than 15 days a year on certain occasions such as Australia Day, Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC week.

The purpose of my Mayoral Minute is to seek Council approval to lend its support to this most worthwhile cause. The La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council have confirmed that they support the proposal to support the campaign.

Issues

In order for the campaign to be recognised by the State Government, ten thousand signatures are required to be lodged with the parliament, with the final sitting days of the parliament this year being from the 13th to the 29th November.

In February 2018 the NSW Opposition Leader, Luke Foley announced his commitment to supporting the campaign and if elected he would fly the Aboriginal flag permanently from the Sydney Harbour bridge. The campaign has also been acknowledged by a number of different news networks, broadcasting services and various printed publications.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

Council supporting this campaign is a great initiative to be a part of, given that it is likely that the initiative will be implemented in time. I propose that Council raises as much awareness to this campaign as possible.

Recommendation

That Council lend its support to this campaign to fly the Aboriginal flag permanently on top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge by writing to local State and Federal MPs and to share the link through Council's website and social media to encourage digital signatures.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM57/18

Subject: Support for the Humour

Foundation Clown Doctors

Program

Folder No: F2018/06574

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

I recently attended the Sydney Children's Hospital and was fortunate enough to do the rounds of the Pre-operative ward with the Clown Doctors. The Clown Doctors service currently visits 23 Hospitals throughout Australia, helping to encourage the smiles of sick children.

Issues

The Clown Doctors program employs professional performers from a variety of artistic backgrounds who visit sick children in hospital, returning some cheer and hope in times of need. The program currently has over 60 Clown Doctors who visit over 23 hospitals throughout the country, reaching more than 200,000 people a year.

The program is run by The Humour Foundation, a national charity based in Pymble. Their aim is to promote and deliver health through humour. The program is solely funded by generous donations and does not currently receive any government funding.

Financial impact statement

Should Council be of the view to accept the recommendation, the financial impact to Council would be \$1,000 to be funded from the 2018-19 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

On the basis that Randwick City is home to State and Regionally significant hospitals and that the Clown Doctors program brings hope and joy to hundreds of thousands parents and children during their times of need, I propose that Council support this program by way of donation and commend them on their great work.

Recommendation

That Council donate \$1,000 funding (from the 2018-19 Contingency Fund) to the Humour Foundation Clown Doctors Program to assist with their great work delivering hope and joy to sick children and their parents.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM58/18

Subject: Waiver of Fees - Maroubra

Diggers Junior Swimming Club for two Swimming Carnivals at

Des Renford Leisure Centre

Folder No: F2010/00214

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

Correspondence has been received from Mr Rod Royston; President of Maroubra Diggers Junior Swimming Club; requesting the waiver of hire fees for the use of the Des Renford Leisure Centre to hold a zone carnival in December 2018.

Issues

The Maroubra Diggers Junior Swimming Club is a not for profit organization who have been utilize Des Renford Leisure Centre for over thirty years on a weekly basis between October and March each year. This year they wish to invite a number of clubs to Des Renford Leisure Centre to hold a zone swimming carnivals on Saturday 8th December which will attract approximately 200 people to the event.

The event is scheduled for outside normal operating hours of the facility, commencing at 6pm in the evening and concluding at 10.00pm. The facility will incur increased staff and operating costs due to the after-hours nature of these events. There will be no impact on the normal daily facility events.

Financial impact statement

In the event that Council accepts the report recommendation, the direct financial implication to Council will be \$1,268.00 which will be funded from the 2018-19 Contingency Fund.

Conclusion

It is considered that Council should support this request from Maroubra Diggers Junior Swimming Club to waive the fees to hire the Des Renford Leisure Centre for the zone swimming carnival to be held on the 8th December to the value of \$1,268.00. That normal facility spectator fees still apply to all non-competitors to assist the facility in recovering the increased costs of operating outside of normal hours.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council vote \$1,268.00 from the 2018-19 Contingency Fund to cover the hire fees into the Des Renford Leisure Centre.
- b) The organiser undertake to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council's contribution prior to and during the event.
- c) That normal facility spectator fees apply for all non-competitors.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM59/18

Subject: Christmas Eve 2018 - Proposal

for Staff Leave

Folder No: F2004/06565

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

It has been brought to my attention that Christmas Eve falls on a Monday this year. As a thank you to our wonderful staff and, given this day is expected to be very quiet in terms of contact with the community, I am proposing to give Council staff the day off to celebrate with family and friends.

Issues

The day in question is relatively quiet in terms of contact with the community and, given the day falls between a Sunday and a Public Holiday, it is expected that a large number of staff will be taking annual leave over this Christmas to New Year period.

There will be a staff function at lunch time on Friday 21 December 2018 to celebrate the Christmas season and thank the staff for their efforts during 2018. Council's closure on Christmas Eve will be advertised in the Mayoral column and notices will be displayed at Council offices and the libraries to minimise any inconvenience for members of the public.

Financial impact statement

Any costs associated with this one-off closure can be accommodated in Council's employee salaries' budget 2018-19.

Conclusion

As Christmas Eve falls on a Monday in 2018, giving our staff the day off will allow them to make arrangements to spend a longer period of time with their families and friends to celebrate Christmas and the New Year.

Recommendation

That Randwick Council staff be given a day's leave on Monday 24 December 2018.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM60/18

Subject: Seeking Council's support for Oz

Harvest's Fight Food Waste community education campaign



Folder No: F2010/00241

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

Oz Harvest has invited Randwick Council to support their Fight Food Waste community education campaign aimed at reducing the huge volumes of food waste occurring across Australian households.

Oz Harvest, with a shopfront in Kensington, is Australia's largest food rescue organisation, supporting more than 1000 charities across Australia and rescuing more than 100 tonnes of food per week from going to landfill. They currently collect unwanted food from more than 3000 food donors nationally.

Issues

It is a very sad indictment of our lifestyle that Australian households in general, waste a lot of the food they purchase from shops and supermarkets. Estimates from the Australian Government establish that we discard more than 3.1 million tonnes of food each year, worth in the order of \$20 billion a year. Calculations show this is equivalent to one in five shopping bags of food ending up in landfills around the country. The Commonwealth Government's National Food Policy has set a target to reduce this food waste by 50 percent by 2030.

In NSW, the EPA informs us that one-third of household waste in the red-lid rubbish bins is food organics and that 60 percent of this waste is preventable. Audits of Randwick's household rubbish bins supports these general findings and of course in response, we were one of the first NSW Councils commencing a food waste collection and processing trial from selected units and flats around 2013.

In recognition of these and related issues, Randwick's recently adopted Waste Management Strategy has approved a progressive opt-in arrangement for units and flats for the collection and processing of food waste in the first 1 to 5 years of the Strategy's implementation. In support of these actions, Council also adopted the need for a comprehensive waste education campaign across the various waste streams collected by Council, including food waste.

Supporting and utilising Oz Harvest's Fight Food Waste community education messaging will assist Council with practical information and tips for our householders developed through the lessons and experienced gained by Oz Harvest over more than a decade. It makes sense to utilise this kind of messaging and distribute it to Randwick residents to help remind them how they can save money and avoid the generation of food waste before it even becomes necessary to place it into the bin as food waste.

The key messaging and website links revolve around tips to:

Look, Buy, Store and Cook, very simple messaging, but supported by additional material to be further developed over time by Oz Harvest. The value of these kind of ideas are likely to become even more relevant and useful for residents as we hear of

the devastating impacts of the current drought on farmers across Australia, particularly NSW, and the results in terms of reduced agriculture yields and eventually food prices for Australian families.

There is no cost to Council for supporting Oz Harvest's Fight Food Waste campaign with the opportunity to take their messaging through our normal publicity and communications channels including print and social media and providing links to the Oz Harvest website for householders to choose what additional information, tips or electronic tools as they come online by Oz Harvest.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

The volume of food waste generated across Australian households is, to put it simply, a shameful waste of resources. Of course, not just due to the food that it represents but the many tonnes of fuel and water used for growing, harvesting, processing, transport and distribution of our food from paddock to plate.

Supporting the Fight Food Waste campaign developed by Oz Harvest will keep the message getting out to our residents on this significant waste issue and of course continues to be in keeping with Council's leadership and reputation in sustainability actions we can all take. The campaign messaging also supports the aims and objectives of our recently approved Waste Management Strategy.

Recommendation

That Council agrees to support and participate in Oz Harvest's Fight Food Waste campaign through the incorporation of the campaign's key messages and associated web links, where appropriate, across our print and social media platforms.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM61/18

Subject: Seeking Council support to

participate in ClimateWatch (a citizen science project) with the

not-for-profit Earthwatch

Institute

Folder No: F2010/00241

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

Recently the not-for-profit Earthwatch Institute approached Randwick to participate in Climate Watch, enabling residents and visitors to be involved in a citizen science monitoring project of the Randwick environment.

The Earthwatch Institute is a science-based volunteer organisation utilising scientists and community members across the globe to work for improved biodiversity outcomes for our variously threatened or endangered flora and fauna. Earthwatch has been operating as a volunteer organisation since 1971.

Issues

One of the more recent initiatives of the Earthwatch Institute is ClimateWatch. ClimateWatch invites community members to download the ClimateWatch app and seeks their involvement on a one-off or continuing basis to report details of sightings of native fauna and flora along specifically designated environmental trails across the country. These reports are downloaded by scientific volunteers at the Earthwatch Institute and are recorded as part of an international atlas that tracks these animal and plant sightings over time. This in turn provides a citizen-science approach to detailed monitoring of changes occurring in urban or natural environments, potentially due to development, loss of native vegetation, or Climate Change.

Earthwatch has asked for a financial contribution of \$15,000 in the first year, to go toward the tailoring of their monitoring App for two trails in Randwick. One trail along a designated section of the coastal walkway and the other around the Randwick Environment Park. Available data from Council's flora and fauna monitoring programs would also be utilised in the trail development and the list of plant and animal species available for identification on the Earthwatch App. An additional \$5,000 is sought in the second year of this initiative to support ongoing input and processing of sighting information and dissemination via the atlas.

This is an excellent application of community volunteers supporting a science-based approach to monitoring of local plant and animal species and will be invaluable over time to Council's own efforts to monitor and record changes over time of species that we consider important to our local biodiversity and habitat protection efforts.

Financial impact statement

An amount of \$15,000 (excluding GST) for year 1 and \$5,000 (excluding GST) would go toward integrating local flora and fauna information into the ClimateWatch App for the two designated trails along the coastal walkway and Randwick Environment Park, administered by Earthwatch and for inclusion in the atlas data updated by Earthwatch scientists and volunteers.

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Conclusion

The Earthwatch Institute has a highly regarded reputation for its science-based conservation efforts and initiatives worldwide. Development and monitoring of locally important flora and fauna species via citizen-led science participation is a very positive way for residents and visitors to contribute to biodiversity conservation whilst enjoying themselves on our very popular walking trails around Randwick.

Recommendation

That:

a) Council supports this citizen-science monitoring project with the Earthwatch Institute and works with them to establish two applicable trails, one along the coastal walkway and one around the Randwick Environment Park

- b) Council approve an amount of \$15,000 (excluding GST) in year 1 and \$5,000 (excluding GST) in year 2 for this project with Earthwatch, from the Biodiversity budget of the environmental levy program; and
- c) annual reporting be provided to Council on the progress of this initiative, relevant and useful sightings and additional information capable of informing Council on the involvement of the Randwick community and the application of ClimateWatch to our local flora and fauna.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM62/18

Subject: Seeking Council approval to

work with UNSW and partnering organisations on a trial project

for implementation of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Folder No: F2010/00241

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey



The University of New South Wales (UNSW) has invited Council to partner with them on a project aimed at trialling implementation of the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goals. Consideration requires an expression of interest to be submitted through the UN process for the Asia Pacific region.

Issues

For many decades the UN has been progressively refining broad goals and objectives for ecologically sustainable development (ESD). As the turn of the century approached, these new goals became known as the Millenium Development Goals which have been further revised and in 2016 became the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Australia is a party to these goals and from Randwick's perspective, many of these goals match the outcomes or directions adopted and approved by Council in Randwick's 20-year City Plan. This is not surprising as the Randwick City Plan is based on the Melbourne Principles for Sustainable Cities hosted in Melbourne at the time by the United Nations Environment Program. There continues to be an increasingly consistent commitment and understanding of these common social and environmental values and their relevance in underpinning many sustainability strategies at local, State and Commonwealth levels of government.

These 17 Sustainable Development Goals are attached for background information and while some may have a more direct relationship to less-developed countries than Australia, many of these SDGs are consistent with social and environmental priorities set by Council and the Randwick community through different parts of our City Plan.

This potential project with UNSW as our key partner would enable Council to identify a single or number of relevant Sustainable Development Goals that would form the basis of our project. There is availability of a small level of support funding (approx. \$25,000) to enable broad collaboration with various stakeholders and communications around the selected goals and the implementation project. In Randwick's case, project selection would be based on existing projects within current work programs to minimize the creation of additional work or expectations for Council staff.

A key purpose of expressing interest in being a pilot city for this project is to demonstrate that Randwick is already well on the path to implementing these sustainable development goals at the local level and to further strengthen the innovation and leadership for which Randwick is already well regarded and recognized.

This is not intended to be a time intensive collaboration with UNSW but to align with existing processes of implementing and accounting for existing programs already agreed to within our community strategic plan. The benefits will include external expertise being utilized to offer external review of Randwick's existing commitments but also to be open to further improvements as they may be identified in the nominated project. At this stage, indicating an expression of interest places Randwick City as one of the cities to be considered in the Asia / Pacific region for this project and does not guarantee that Randwick will be selected.

There is no direct cost involved in participating in the trial project as many of the implementation actions already adopted and budgeted by Council are expected to align with the expectations and opportunities provided by this project.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

Randwick has a strong and demonstrated commitment to most of the existing sustainable development goals through its 20-year City Plan. Many of our supporting medium term policies and plans are also potentially relevant to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals. This project will strengthen the clear and direct alignment of our corporate and strategic approach to the sustainable development goals which Australia and many levels of government across the country are also party to.

Recommendation

That:

- a) Council agrees to support submission of an expression of interest to become a pilot city for this UN project aimed at highlighting the relevance of the sustainable development goals at the local government level and working with the UNSW and other partnering organisations on a trial project; and
- b) If successful, a project plan be prepared outlining timelines, specific project goals and objectives and its relevance to Randwick Council and its residents.

Attachment/s:

1.1 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

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What are the Sustainable Development Goals?

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Mayoral Minute No. MM63/18

Subject: Current awards recognition of

Council's sustainability efforts

and commitment

Folder No: F2010/00241

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

Significant recognition has recently been provided of Council's sustainability efforts and achievements at National and State levels.

Issues

Councillors were recently advised and were obviously as proud as I was of Randwick's success at the RH Dougherty Awards organized by LGNSW with Council receiving 3 separate communications awards, one of which included one of our specific sustainability programs, our Best Gift in the World sustainable Christmas campaign.

Since winning this award, Randwick Council has been notified of significant award recognition that I would like to acknowledge and pass on to our Council and our community.

Recently, Randwick's Sustaining our City program was named as one of 4 finalists out of approximately 60 public sector and local government nominations for the NSW Government's Green Globe Awards. These awards are open across various environmental categories but the public sector category is extremely competitive making the finalist recognition one in which we should be extremely proud.

At the same time, one of our energy saving and solar initiatives being implemented across eastern suburban schools as part of Randwick's 3-Council environmental collaboration with Waverley and Woollahra Councils has also received notification that it is a finalist in both the Green Globes Awards and the Cities Power Partnership Awards conducted nationally by the Climate Council of Australia. This Solar My Schools initiative as it is known, is now assisting more than 90 percent of all schools across the eastern suburbs to access and install solar panels on school rooftops. The success of this initiative, as with our previous 3-Council initiative, Compost Revolution, is now being widely investigated by metropolitan Councils across Sydney as a practical, low-cost program to support schools and their school communities save money on their energy bills and reduce their emissions of greenhouse gases to the environment.

Perhaps more significantly again for Randwick, is that last night, Randwick's comprehensive Sustaining our City initiative was also named as one of the 6 finalists across Australia for the national Banksia Environmental Awards. The Banksia Environmental Awards are the most prestigious of Australia's environmental awards programs and being named as a Banksia Environmental finalist recognizes Randwick's sustainability achievements as one of the top environmental initiatives across local, State and Commonwealth tiers of government across the country.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

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Conclusion

Regardless of the results of these significant award programs, I think it is important to acknowledge to Council and our community that Randwick's success and its reputation for sustainability continues to be recognized at the State and National level, and on behalf of Council, I would like to thank so many of our staff and our wonderful Randwick community for their contribution to these very significant milestones.

Recommendation

That Council communicates the success and recognition of our sustainability achievements in being finalists for the NSW Government's Green Globes Awards and for the prestigious Banksia Environmental Foundation awards for local, State and Commonwealth Government agencies across Australia and including the Solar My Schools initiative being conducted as part of our 3-Council regional environmental collaboration.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM64/18

Subject: Request for legal advice

regarding premature works undertaken by TPG for a proposed mobile phone

infrastructure in Dundas Street

Folder No: F2018/00121

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

A request has been received from Councillor Murray Matson dated 19 September 2018 for a motion to be considered as an urgent business, which reads as follows:

"That it is urgent that Council obtain legal advice as to whether action should be initiated to halt premature and potentially unsafe installation by TPG of mobile phone infrastructure in Dundas Street, Coogee via an assessment and consultation sequence that is non-compliant with the Industry Code C564-2011, Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment."

Issues

The request is not considered to be urgent as TPG, through its consultant planning representative, Urbis, has advised Council on 21 September 2018 that TPG is arranging a Community Stakeholder Meeting on 15 October 2018 at the Randwick Community Centre to discuss the proposal, issues raised in the submissions to the notification of the proposal, and possible alternative sites for the proposed installation. Furthermore, in an earlier email to Council, Urbis advised that, pending the outcome of the proposed Community Stakeholder Meeting, no installation of the proposed infrastructure would proceed. Notwithstanding that the request for a motion is not urgent, Council needs to determine if the premature works, which essentially comprise underground cabling, conduit and a communication pit, are illegal or not.

Council officers in dealing with this matter to date have twice requested from Urbis the legal position as to why the premature works have been allowed to remain *in situ*. To date, TPG has failed to provide any advice in response to this request.

Additionally, local community members have informed Council of concerns that the underground works pose a trip hazard for pedestrians. Council's infrastructure workers have attended the site and investigated if the premature cabling works constituted an unsafe trip hazard. Council infrastructure workers have advised that the site was safe for pedestrians as the premature works and communications pit was behind a barricaded nature strip.

Financial impact statement

Costs for obtaining legal advice will be approximately \$5,000.

Conclusion

The premature works undertaken by TPG for the proposed mobile phone infrastructure at Dundas Street may prevent any further installation of the facility as

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it is in breach of the Industry Code. Accordingly, it is considered appropriate that legal advice be obtained to determine the legality of these works.

Recommendation

That Council obtain legal advice as to whether the premature works undertaken by TPG of mobile phone infrastructure in Dundas Street, Coogee would prevent the installation of the telecommunication facility.

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Mayoral Minute No. MM65/18

Subject: Kingsford Noodle Markets -

Change of location



Folder No: F2018/06574

Author: The Mayor, Cr Lindsay Shurey

Introduction

The Noodle markets are a great council initiative and have been instrumental in supporting the Kingsford and Kensington business communities during the construction of the light rail. However, due to the success of the event and constrictions on the site, a change of location may be required to ensure the success of the event into the future.

Issues

The noodle markets allow the businesses from Kingsford and Kensington to showcase the best of international cuisines and cultures including Chinese, Indonesian, Japanese, Malaysian, Taiwanese and Vietnamese. The noodle markets invite residents to try their favourite foods from around the world.

I have been made aware that the current location of the Noodle Markets is constrained due to the occupation by the ACCIONA works depot in Meeks Street Plaza during the light rail construction. Other factors including the growth in popularity of the event may require a change of location to continue the noodle markets as one of Randwick City's premier community events.

One possible new location that has been identified for the noodle markets is the Kensington Park Oval, which is in close proximity to the existing location and will be able to provide room for expansion of the event. As well as the change in location, an extension to the event duration may allow local businesses and residents the opportunity enjoy this wonderful event for an extended period of time.

Financial impact statement

There is no direct financial impact for this matter.

Conclusion

Council is a leader in the community and is dedicated to providing a sense of community for our residents and those who visit the area. Council is also committed to assisting our businesses in economic development strategies, particularly during the construction of the light rail. The Noodle Markets is one of Randwick City Council's premier events and I look forward to its continued growth and success.

Recommendation

That, in the event of the Meeks Street Plaza site being unavailable to host the Noodle Markets due to the presence of the ACCIONA works depot, the Noodle Markets be held at the Kensington Park Oval.

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