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# Ordinary Council Meeting (Mayoral Minutes)

Tuesday 25 February 2020



**ORDINARY COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council meeting of Randwick City Council will be held in the Council Chamber, 1st Floor, 90 Avoca Street, Randwick on Tuesday, 25 February 2020 at 6:00pm

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM7/20

**Subject: Vale Margery Whitehead OAM**

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### Motion:

That Council:

- a) investigate, in consultation with the family, opportunities for a permanent tribute in the vicinity of Kensington Park Community Centre or Kokoda Park to commemorate Margery Whitehead and bring back a report to Council for consideration;
- b) send our condolences to the family; and
- c) observe a minutes silence at the Council meeting.

### Background:

Margery Whitehead lived in Kensington all her life and was a passionate local and community advocate. Margery was a kind and humble member of Randwick City and is best known for her community volunteering. In 2017, Margery was recognised for her service receiving an Order of Australia Medal.

Margery was the President (2005) and Council Member (since 1984) of the Sydney High School Old Girls' Union, Director (since 2003) and Secretary (since 2006) of the South Sydney Community Aid Multicultural Neighbourhood Centre, a Randwick City Councillor for West Ward from 1995 to 2004 and Chairperson of the Kensington and West Kingsford Community Precinct Committee since 2012. Since her retirement, Margery has fought for the good of the Kensington and wider community.

Local residents are saddened by the news of Margery's passing and have been discussing ways that Margery could be honoured for her contributions to the community.

Margery worked very hard for several years with the precinct and Kensington Park residents group to ensure that the old bowling club site in Kensington Park was returned to public use and the size of public parkland increased. She was an advocate for the Kensington Park Community Centre as a place for residents to meet and gather.

Given her passion and advocacy for Kensington and West Ward community, it is appropriate to consider a permanent tribute in the vicinity of the Kensington Park Community Centre or Kokoda Park to commemorate Margery Whitehead and her valuable contribution to the community.

Margery became ill in late January and was diagnosed with cancer in early February. Margery passed away on Thursday, 20 February 2020 at the Prince of Wales Hospital with her son and grandchildren by her side. Margery will be greatly missed.

Margery's funeral will be held on Thursday, 27 February 2020. The details are as follows:

1:00pm Service at Lugar Brae Uniting Church in Waverley.

3:00pm Short service at Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park Crematorium, South Chapel in Matraville.

4:00pm-7:00pm Wake at Hall 1, Kensington Park Community Centre.

### Source of funding:

N/A.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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**Responsible officer:** The Mayor, Cr Danny Said

**File Reference:** F2020/06574

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## Mayoral Minute No. MM8/20

**Subject: Save Yarra Bay Water & Beach Protest**

MM8/20

### Motion:

That Council:

- a) vote from the 2019/2020 Contingency Fund to cover the fees associated with “Save the Bay Coalition” on water and beach protest on Sunday 15 March 2020 at Yarra Bay;
- b) if required, provide a donation to “Save the Bay Coalition” under the delegated authority of the Mayor and General Manager to cover the expense of the event organiser’s insurance policy;
- c) the event organiser undertakes to appropriately and prominently acknowledge and promote Council’s contribution prior to and during the event; and
- d) the Mayor or the Mayor’s representative be given the opportunity to address the event on behalf of Council.

### Background:

On Sunday 15 March from 11:30am the “Save the Bay Coalition” are proposing to hold an on water and beach protest against the NSW Government’s proposal to build a cruise ship terminal in Yarra Bay.

The coalitions website states:

*“On 15 March, we aim to fill Yarra Bay with a protest flotilla that includes anything that is safe to float! Especially the sailing dinghies, catamarans, kayaks, canoes, inflatables, surfboards, paddleboards, speedboats, surfboats, launches, dinghies, tinnies, dragon boats, swan boats and outriggers that find Yarra Bay to be a splendid venue for all sorts of sporting and recreational activities.”* (<https://saveyarrabay.com/>)

The Save the Bay Coalition have requested the waiving of the fees for their event, held on Sunday 15 March 2020.

Fees associated with the event are:

Application Fee	\$ 188.00
Lifeguard x 4 x 6 hours @ \$250.00 per hour	\$ 6,000.00
Sulo Bins x 5 @ \$94.00	\$ 470.00
Hire of Yarra Bay Beach	\$ 536.00
Aquatic Licence (Transport NSW)	<u>\$ 401.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,595.00</b>

In-Kind support can also be provided for the below:

- Traffic Control
- Electronic Message Board
- Road barricades

It should be noted that the application for the event is currently being processed by Council and our City Services Department is working with the event organisers to complete their application.

A meeting is being held on Thursday 27 February 2020 to review the application and associated risk assessments and safety documentation to determine insurance requirements

for the event organisers and how Council may best support the event and the safety of the community.

It is proposed that once the insurance cover is known by event organisers, Council also provide financial assistance by way of a donation to cover this expense under the delegated authority of the Mayor and the General Manager. Should such an expense eventuate then a subsequent Mayoral Minute will be brought back after the event informing Council.

**Source of funding:**

Should Council accept the report recommendation, the financial implication to Council is \$7,595 which will be funded from the 2019/2020 Contingency Fund.

**Attachment/s:**

Nil

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**Responsible officer:** The Mayor, Cr Danny Said

**File Reference:** F2020/00096