SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA 1

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COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2019
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MEETING AGENDA – PRECIS SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

The following report/s appear as late item/s with Mayoral approval as information required for the preparation of the report/s was not available at the time of distribution of the Business Paper.

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Item No: C0319(2) Item 15

Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: PORTUGUESE PRECINCT

From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Note the long standing relationship between the Inner West community and the people of Portugal, as outlined in Council's Friendship Agreement;

- 2. Welcome the proposal by the Consulado Geral to name the precinct as Portuguese Town; and
- 3. Consult with the local Portuguese and Petersham community and businesses regarding:
 - An appropriate geographic area for a Portuguese precinct in Petersham
 - Whether Portuguese Town is an appropriate name for the precinct.

Report

The Inner West has a long-established and very close bond with the people of Portugal. This relationship is reflected in the concentration of Portuguese businesses and peoples in the Petersham area.

The Portuguese tradition in the area is very strong, as shown by the successful Bairro Portugues Festival which was held this year on 10 March, and broadcast around the world via a live cross from Portugal's biggest and most popular news and current affairs show.

On 27 February 2018 Council resolved to sign a Friendship Agreement with Portugal. This agreement was signed on the day of the Bairro Portugues festival in 2018.

This Friendship agreement was followed by an agreement on community collaboration, resolved in August 2018, which included development of an Institutional Co-operation plan, and incorporation of Portuguese art and design motifs in developments in the area.

ON 5 February Council resolved to accept the Portuguese Community Collaboration Protocols, and to explore, among other things, the potential renaming of a street in Petersham to reflect the close relationship.

In subsequent discussions with the Consulado Geral de Portugal in Sydney, it was determined that a more appropriate course of action would be to name a precinct area in Petersham in honour of Portugal. This would cause less disruption to mailing addresses along the street, and also provide more prominent recognition.

In On 28 February I received a letter from the Consulado Geral de Portugal in Sydney, welcoming this suggestion.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter Consulado Geral de Portugal





CONSULADO GERAL DE PORTUGAL SYDNEY

28-02-2019

Mayor, Cir Darcy Byrne Inner West Council

Muy Dear Dancy

The Portuguese community has been part of the Inner West population for a long time, and one of the reasons why it felt comfortable to settle and grow in the area, is the constant support and help the Inner West Council has demonstrated towards the Portuguese people.

Our friendship has evolved throughout the years, enabling the Portuguese community to develop ties not only with Australians living and working the area, but with other communities, contributing to the growth of multiculturalism in New South Wales.

The Consulate General of Portugal would like to thank you and the Inner West Council for all the efforts put into making our community feel welcome and settled over the decades, up until today – this does not go unnoticed, neither by us or by our national authorities.

We believe we have given a little of Portugal to this part of Sydney, especially in the Petersham suburb, by developing businesses, creating employment and showing some of our traditions.

Nonetheless, one of our oldest dreams is yet to be fulfilled: it has been a long desire to have the importance of the Portuguese community materialised in the Petersham suburb. To officially see recognised the establishment and relevance of our community by naming an area "Portuguese Town" would not only be another step to further our relationship, but also an opportunity to deepen our ties with Australians and to make our dream become a reality.

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CONSULADO GERAL DE PORTUGAL SYDNEY

Thank you once again for all of your years of support, and we hope to keep collaborating with the Inner West Council for many years to come.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration,

Consul General

Francisco Duarte