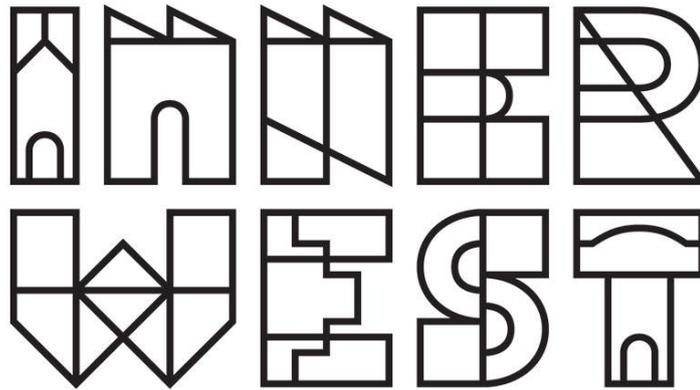


SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA 1

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COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2020

6.30PM

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Item No: C0220(1) Item 22
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: CONDOLENCE MOTION: BUSHFIRE VICTIMS
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council acknowledges the 33 Australian and American citizens who have lost their lives during this summer's bushfire disaster.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0220(1) Item 23
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: CONDOLENCE MOTION: GREG GIBSON
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council writes a letter of condolence to Greg Gibson’s family, expressing our sadness on his passing, and thank them for Greg’s service to the Marrickville community, inclusivity and grassroots sport.

Background

Greg Gibson passed away on 24 December 2019, after a short illness with acute myeloid leukaemia.

Greg had been the long-term President of Marrickville District Lawn Tennis Club, which was established in 1923 and is one of Sydney’s last remaining grass court complexes.

He was also a loved and respected Special Olympics tennis coach and official, with 26 years of involvement with Special Olympics Australia. Since 1996, Greg has coached Special Olympics gold medallist Kelly Wren, who now is also a coach.

During this time Kelly also won the Most Outstanding Athlete with a Disability award at the Newcombe Medal Awards in 2011, four gold medals at the 2013 INAS Tennis World Championships, and more than 20 Australian Tennis Singles Championships.

Greg was recognised in 2019 with the Sport NSW Distinguished Long Service Award.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0220(1) Item 24
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: CONDOLENCE MOTION: BARRY MCDONALD
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

Item 24

MOTION:

THAT Council writes a letter of condolence to the family of Barry McDonald, expressing our sadness at his passing and commending the contribution he made to ending apartheid in South Africa.

Background

Balmain local and ex-Wallaby Barry McDonald sadly passed away earlier this month, aged 79.

Despite playing two rugby union Tests for Australia in 1969 and 1970 and representing NSW twice, Barry is rightfully remembered for his decision to boycott the 1971 tour by an all-white South African squad, alongside six of his teammates, in protest against the country's apartheid regime.

At the time, Barry and his fellow Wallabies - Jim Roxburgh, Bruce Taafe, Terry Forman, Anthony Abrahams, Paul Darveniza and Jim Boyce – faced intense social and political backlash for their stance, until the wider community came out in support.

Incoming Prime Minister Gough Whitlam then suspended all sporting contact with South Africa and imposed trade sanctions on the country.

Initially known as the “Rugby Seven” they would later be hailed as the “Magnificent Seven” after it was recognised that a direct link could be traced from their actions to the referendum that marked the end of apartheid in 1994.

Barry was later awarded a Medal of Freedom by South African President Nelson Mandela for his stance against apartheid.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0220(1) Item 25
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: DISASTER RELIEF FUNDING FOR RFS
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council gives a \$50,000 donation to the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) to assist it in its disaster relief activities during the ongoing bushfire crisis.

Background

In early January, I wrote to Councillors about how best Council could assist and mobilise our community to help the local governments and communities affected by the bushfire disaster.

After liaising with the CEO, I decided to use delegated authority to bring forward the \$50,000 in disaster relief charitable funds, which we resolved to include in the 2020/21 budget, as an immediate donation to the Rural Fire Service (RFS).

In addition, the CEO agreed to convert the end of summer event that was scheduled to take place on February 8 in Enmore Park into a fundraising concert and raffle for the RFS.

However, following the cancellation of the event due to inclement weather, the fundraising raffle is to be rescheduled for another date in the near future.

The raffle prizes have been generously donated by residents, local organisations and businesses and all proceeds will go to the RFS.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0220(1) Item 26
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: YABUN FESTIVAL
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Support the Yabun Festival with a \$30,000 sponsorship in 2020; and
2. Receive a report regarding an annual funding process that would allow Yabun to be part of Council’s formal grant framework from 2021.

Background

Following a resolution in November last year to transfer all ceremonial and celebratory events, other than the citizenship ceremony, away from 26 January and to promote attendance at the Yabun Festival instead, myself and CEO Michael Deegan met with the Board of Koori Radio, which auspices the Yabun Festival, in late December to discuss how Council can support the event.

Following an official request from Yabun, I used delegated authority to approve a contribution from Council of \$30 000 to sponsor the Festival.

In keeping with the November resolution, I am asking Council to explore ways that the Yabun Festival can receive annual sponsorship from Council and be included as part of its formal grant framework.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0220(1) Item 27
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: BIRCHGROVE AND BALMAIN FERRIES CHANGES
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

- 1. Registers its strong opposition to the proposal to eliminate all direct services from both Birchgrove and Thames Street wharves to Circular Quay; and the direction for all passengers on the Parramatta River to transfer at Balmain East for ferry services to Circular Quay;**
 - 2. Writes to the Minister for Transport and Roads condemning the proposal; and**
 - 3. Encourage locals to participate in the community consultation process currently being conducted by Transdev on behalf of Transport for NSW.**
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Background

A community consultation process is currently being conducted by Transdev on behalf of Transport for NSW regarding ferry services in the Inner West.

If the proposed changes were to go ahead, all services from both Birchgrove and Thames Street Wharves to Circular Quay would be eliminated from 2021.

Both these wharves provide a heavily used public transport connection between our community and the heart of the city. This cut would leave users of Birchgrove and Thames Street wharves stranded each morning and night.

The plans to direct all passengers travelling the Parramatta River route to change at Balmain East for remaining services to Circular Quay would pump thousands of more commuters through Balmain East and this would inevitably increase the pressure on existing passengers at the wharf. Despite this, no additional peak weekday services are part of the plan.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0220(1) Item 28
 Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: ROZELLE INTERCHANGE
 From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Notes the provision of onsite parking for staff working on WestConnex Stages 3a and 3b is totally inadequate and is having massive impacts on parking in local streets;
2. Notes the \$178,000 allocated from Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to fund Resident Parking Schemes (RPS) investigations in areas affected by the construction of the Rozelle Interchange and Stage 3a works near King George Park;
3. Notes that given the complexity of RMS requirements, that no new RPS were sufficiently supported by residents to be established in the streets bordering King George Park when surveys were conducted in 2019;
4. Letterboxes affected areas to notify residents how they can participate and make proposals to the TfNSW Resident Parking Scheme investigations to be funded from the TfNSW grant;
5. Continues to lobby TfNSW and the project contractor to continue to investigate other measures to mitigate the impacts of worker parking, including appropriate onsite or satellite parking provisions, carpool strategies and public transport initiatives, in the areas affected by the construction of Rozelle Interchange;
6. Designs a flyer to be made available to residents outlining how they can lodge complaints about compliance breaches on Stage 3a and 3b WestConnex construction sites and advocate to the State Government about traffic, parking and other impacts;
7. Makes the amelioration of the impacts of worker parking and traffic disruption along Lilyfield Road, due to the construction of the Rozelle Interchange, a priority; and
8. Writes to the State Government demanding they make publicly available the satellite imaging technology the Government has purchased relating to WestConnex construction impacts so that residents can determine the impact of WestConnex construction on their properties.

Background

In January, Council was informed that Transport for NSW had agreed to fund the investigation and implementation of Resident Parking Schemes around the Rozelle Interchange up to the value of \$178,000. These areas include the Rozelle/Lilyfield, Iron Cove and Annandale North zones.

The Rozelle/Lilyfield zone is bounded by Grove Street, Balmain Road, Matilda Street, Regent Street, Woodlark Street, Cook Street, Denison Street, Alfred Street, Gordon Street, and Lilyfield Road.

The Iron Cove zone is bounded by Victoria Road, Callan Park, Springside Street, Manning Street and Darling Street.

Annandale North zone is bounded by Railway Parade, Hutchinson Street, Rose Street, Trafalgar Street, and The Crescent.

Last year, a significant number of residents in streets in the Iron Cove zone approached Council to investigate whether a Resident Parking Scheme could be established in their streets.

But the high community threshold that needed to be reached before a Resident Parking Scheme could be implemented proved to be a serious barrier and the scheme was unable to be rolled out.

Council should also make it a priority to mitigate the impacts of worker parking and traffic disruption along Lilyfield Road.

Residents are already being hammered by WestConnex parking issues and rat runners speeding through side streets as they try to avoid long traffic jams. Council should put in place measures that alleviate the anxieties of residents.

Council should also ask the State Government to make public the satellite imagery and technology it bought relating to the WestConnex construction, which show the extent of surface movement caused by West Connex tunnelling activity in Sydney.

Prior to the State Government's buying this technology and then placing it under lock and key, initial data showed that properties up to 300 metres away from tunnelling works were significantly affected by the construction.

To date, the State Government has refused to release the data or make it publicly available to residents.

This data is vital for residents to ascertain if tunnelling connected to the WestConnex project has damaged their homes, and the withholding of the data is preventing residents from seeking fair compensation for any damage.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0220(1) Item 29
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: PROPERTY AND RATING SYSTEM
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council thank and congratulates the dedicated team of more than 30 Council staff lead by Council’s Chief Information Officer, Harin Perera, and Project Manager, Steve Johnson, who worked tirelessly to deliver this state-of-the-art technology to the Inner West.

Background

Inner West Council celebrated a major milestone recently with the introduction of a single, fully integrated Property and Rating system. Property and Rating (P&R) is the last major module to be rolled out in the OneCouncil suite. OneCouncil is Council’s major integrated enterprise software solution, which is used for most of Council’s business functions. This includes Finance, Electronic Document and Records Management (ECM), Payroll, Asset Management, Property and Rating, Payroll and Budgeting. This suite integrates all our legacy platforms into a single, unified system. The release of P&R is a major milestone in our journey towards working as one Council.

P&R is a system utilised by a large proportion of Council staff daily. It is the main system that relates to residents, ratepayers, developers and conveyancers. All staff will now work in a common system, which means enhanced online services and harmonised and unified processes and practices for everyone across the Inner West.

During the amalgamation, Council was using a multitude of corporate applications (all different) to conduct business. The use of these legacy systems continued until now. Council made the decision to replace these legacy applications into a single cloud system, OneCouncil. Customers will benefit from the new system by being able to:

- Access the online portal, enabling self-service.
- Apply for certificates online (for example, 10.7 Planning Certificate and 603 Rates certificates).
- Apply for development related certificates and applications.
- See lodged applications.
- Apply for a parking permit.
- View all debts and update contact details.
- Track Applications/Certificates.
- Make online payments, such as rates.
- Search for property and land information.
- Create and track a customer request.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.