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COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018

6.30pm



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:C0318 Item 14Subject:MAYORAL MINUTE: HARMONISING INNER WEST COUNCIL AWARDS
PROGRAMSFrom:The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT:

- 1. Council review the current arrangements for Awards program, including the Business Environment Awards Program the Inner West Business Awards and the Marrickville Business Association Awards;
- 2. Council officers produce a report on options for harmonising our Awards program and Council's capacity to hold and judge such a program; and
- 3. The report include evaluation of categories such as, but not limited to:
 - a. Ethical Business;
 - b. LGBTQI Friendly Business;
 - c. Multicultural Business;
 - d. Sustainable Business; and
 - e. Accessible Business.

Background

The former Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville Councils had differing approaches to business awards.

Marrickville Council conducted their own awards: The Business Environment Awards, coordinated by Council staff, and the Marrickville Business Association Awards coordinated through the Business Chamber.

In 2016 the Business Environment Awards, which have an obvious focus on environment and sustainability, were broadened to include businesses and organisations in the newly amalgamated Inner West Local Government Area.

The Marrickville Business Association awards recognise longevity and businesses that have made a notable contribution to the local area.

Ashfield and Leichhardt Councils supported the Inner West Business Awards conducted by Precedent Productions. The Awards recognise businesses from a wide range of categories.

This Awards program is supported by Council in the way of sponsorship and in 2017 Sponsorship for the program was consolidated into a single Inner West Council sponsorship.

The former Leichhardt Council offered a specific award as a condition of sponsorship – the Community Access Award, which was judged by a panel including a Councillor and members of Leichhardt Council's Access Committee.

An Award program is an opportunity for Council to recognize businesses achieving great things for our community and economy, and to make role models of local businesses.



Council could and should recognize and promote businesses which are leading by example in the areas of ethical business, accessibility and LGBTQI integration.

Whilst Council has already requested a report on an awards program for LGBTQI-friendly business, it would be appropriate to review and harmonise the entire Inner West Council awards program.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil at this time

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.



Item 15

Item No:	C0318 Item 15
Subject:	MAYORAL MINUTE: BALMAIN LEAGUES CLUB COMPULSORY ACQUISITION
From:	The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

- 1. Oppose any State Government compulsory acquisition of the Balmain Leagues Club site; and
- 2. Write to the Minister for Roads the Hon Melinda Pavey MP urgently requesting a briefing on plans for the Western Harbour Tunnel and acquisition of the Balmain Leagues Club Site.

Background

On Wednesday 28 February I was contacted by NSW Roads and Maritime Services to inform me that it is likely that the Government will seek to compulsorily acquire the former Balmain Leagues Club site in Rozelle as a construction site for the proposed Western Harbour Tunnel.

This would have disastrous consequences for the Balmain Tigers, the Rozelle community and the taxpayers of NSW.

In addition to the four massive smoke stacks and enormous motorway interchange already slated for Rozelle as part of the Stage 3 of WestConnex, use of the site as a dive site would see all the spoil from the Western Harbour Tunnel being removed and trucked out on local streets.

The impact on Rozelle Public School, bordered on its western boundary by Victoria Road, would be devastating and completely unacceptable.

Resource Implications

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.



Item No: C0318 Item 16

Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: FLYING THE ABORIGINAL FLAG FROM THE HARBOUR BRIDGE

From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

- 1. Endorse the petitions calling for the Aboriginal Flag to be flown from the Sydney Harbour Bridge 365 days a year;
- 2. Publicise the petitions through regular communications channels including social media and the Council news page in the local Courier newspaper;
- 3. Provide hard copies of the petition for signatories at Council facilities and major events; and
- 4. Write to the NSW Premier, the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight and the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure calling on them to support the push to fly the Aboriginal Flag on the Harbour Bridge permanently.

Background

In an age of reconciliation, it is disappointing that the Aboriginal Flag is still only intermittently flown from the top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

The Bridge is the international symbol of Sydney and Australia. Currently the Australian and NSW State Flag are proudly flown from the top of the bridge year round.

However, the Aboriginal flag only flies for 15 days of the year - during NAIDOC Week, Reconciliation Week and on Australia Day.

A proud Inner West and Kamilaroi woman Cheree Toka is driving a petition calling on the Government to fly the Aboriginal Flag on Sydney Harbour Bridge 365 days a year.

The petition had over 82,500 signatures as of Tuesday 13 March.

Ms Toka is also aiming to gather at least 500 signatures on a hard copy petition before presenting it to the NSW Legislative Assembly.

The online petition can be found at <u>https://www.change.org/p/petition-to-fly-the-aboriginal-flag-atop-of-the-sydney-harbour-bridge-permanently</u>

Resource Implications

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.