

MINUTES

Community and Culture Committee

Monday, 12 February 2024

6:00 PM

Dragon Room

Level 1, Georges River Civic Centre

Hurstville



PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Nancy Liu (Chairperson), Councillor Ashvini Ambihaipahar, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Nick Smerdely (joined the meeting at 6.11pm), and Councillor Benjamin Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager - David Tuxford, Director Community and Culture - Kristie Dodd, General Counsel - James Fan, Manager City Life - Margaret Le, Manager Office of the General Manager - Vicki McKinley, Executive Manager City Futures - Simon Massey, Head of Technology - Garuthman De Silva, Technology Business Support Officer - Sandra Vazzoler, Executive Assistant to the General Manager - Sue Matthew, Executive Assistant to the Director Community and Culture - Franziska Mintus (Minutes).

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Liu, opened the meeting at 6.03pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson, Councillor Liu acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. She paid her respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MOTION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Ambihaipahar

That an apology on behalf of Councillor Lou Konjarski and Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos be accepted and a Leave of Absence granted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Chairperson, Councillor Liu advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website, in accordance with section 5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council's Website.

CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

Council's Code of Meeting Practice prohibits the electronic recording of meetings without the express permission of Council.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest made.

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no registered speakers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

COM001-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 11 December 2023
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Wang

That the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 11 December 2023, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COM002-24 Verge Garden Program Review
(Report by Research and Social Policy Officer)

Note: Councillor Smerdely joined the meeting at 6.11pm.

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry

(a) That Council note the findings and outcomes from the review of the Verge Garden Program (the Program) detailed within this report.

(b) That Council approve the continuation of the Verge Garden Program.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

COM003-24 Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee meeting held 1 February 2024
(Report by Personal Assistant to Manager, City Life)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort

That the recommendations contained within the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 1 February 2024 be submitted to the Community and Culture Committee for consideration and to be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

COM004-24 Adoption of the Georges River Council Events and Festival Charter, Event Guide and Event Toolkit

(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

That Council adopts the Events and Festivals Charter, Event Guide and Event Toolkit.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

COM005-24 Quarterly Community Property Report - 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023

(Report by Coordinator, Programming and Operations)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry

That Council receive and note the Quarterly Community Property Report for the period 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6.28pm.

Chairperson