

MINUTES

Community and Culture Committee

Monday, 08 July 2024

6:00 PM

Dragon Room

Georges River Civic Centre

Hurstville



PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Nancy Liu (Chairperson), Councillor Ashvini Ambihaipahar, Councillor Lou Konjarski, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Nick Smerdely, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, and Councillor Benjamin Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager – David Tuxford, Director Community and Culture - Kristie Dodd, Manager City Life - Margaret Le, Manager Cultural Engagement and Library Services – Justin Yeomans, Coordinator Programming and Operations - Andrew Williams, Executive Manager City Futures - Simon Massey, Team Leader Technology Business Support - Mark Tadros, Executive Assistant to General Manager – Sue Matthews, Executive Services Officer - Marisa Severino and Executive Assistant to the Director Community and Culture – Billie Johnson (Minutes).

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Liu, opened the meeting at 6.01pm.

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.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies or requests for leave of absence.

REQUESTS TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

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

COM020-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 11 June 2024
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Stratikopoulos

That the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 11 June 2024, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COM021-24 Quarterly Community Property Report - 1 April to 30 June 2024
(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 April 2024 to 30 June 2024.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

COM022-24 Georges River Council Public Art Policy for Adoption
(Report by Coordinator Cultural Services)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Konjarski

That Council adopts the revised draft Georges River Council Public Art Policy after a period of public exhibition.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

COM023-24 Adoption of the draft Georges River Council Community Lease and Licence Policy
(Report by Coordinator, Programming and Operations)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Smerdely

- (a) That Council adopt the draft Georges River Council Community Lease and Licence Policy following the public exhibition period.
- (b) That the General Manager be delegated authority to make minor administrative changes to the Policy, if required.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

COM024-24 Outgoing Sponsorship and Donations Report
(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Landsberry

That Council approves the Outgoing Sponsorship request of \$8,500 to become a sponsor of the St George and Sutherland Medical Research Foundation, Beachside Dash on Sunday 8 September 2024.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

PROCEDURAL MOTION**MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

At this stage of the meeting, time being 6.17pm, the Chair, Councillor Liu, advised that the meeting would move into Closed Session in accordance with Section 10A of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Accordingly, members of the press and public are excluded from the Closed Session and access to the correspondence relating to the item considered during the course of the Closed Session will be withheld.

This action was taken to allow discussion of the following item:

COM030A-24 Preliminary Investigation Works for 38 Humphreys Lane Hurstville
(Report by Manager, Cultural Engagement and Library Services)

THAT in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters dealt with in this report be considered in closed Council Meeting at which the press and public are excluded. In accordance with Section 10A(2) (d(ii)) it is considered the matter commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

THAT in accordance with Section 10D it is considered that if the matter were discussed in an open Council Meeting, it would on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 11(2) of the Act, the reports and correspondence relating to these matters be withheld from the press and public.

The Chair, Councillor Liu asked the Director Community and Culture if any representations had been received from the public that the item should not be discussed in Closed Session.

The Director replied that no representations had been received in relation to the item in Closed Session.

Councillor Liu asked if there were any members of the public gallery who would like to speak on the reasons the Committee proposes to consider the item in Closed Session.

MOTION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely

That in accordance with Section 10A Clause 2 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Committee enter into Closed Session to discuss item **COM030A-24 Preliminary Investigation Works for 38 Humphreys Lane Hurstville.**

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

CLOSED SESSION (CONFIDENTIAL ITEM)

CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

COM030A-24 Preliminary Investigation Works for 38 Humphreys Lane Hurstville
(Report by Manager, Cultural Engagement and Library Services)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council approve the proposed preliminary investigation works outlined in this report to determine the feasibility of providing a library service at 38 Humphreys Lane Hurstville.
- (b) That a further report be submitted to Council about the findings of the preliminary investigation works.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

PROCEDURAL MOTION

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort

That the meeting revert to Open Session, the time being 6.23pm.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

OPEN SESSION

CONFIRMATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Mort

That the recommendations from the Closed Session in relation to item **COM030A-24 Preliminary Investigation Works for 38 Humphreys Lane Hurstville** be confirmed as recommendations of the Committee.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Liu, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

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

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6.24pm

Chairperson