

MINUTES

Community and Culture Committee

Monday, 11 November 2024

6:00 PM

Dragon Room

Georges River Civic Centre

Hurstville



PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, (Chairperson), Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Mort and Councillor Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager – David Tuxford, Director Community and Culture - Kristie Dodd, Director Assets and Infrastructure – Andrew Latta, Manager City Life - Margaret Le, Manager Community and Early Learning Services – Jodi Tweed, Manager Strategic Placemaking – Hayley Barnes, Coordinator Community Capacity Building - Alexis Drevikovsky, Community Capacity Building Officer – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Portfolio – Heidi Bradburn, Business Improvement Officer – Leo Chant, Community Property Officer – Kaila Bergin, Office of the General Manager - Vicki McKinley, Team Leader Technology Business Support - Mark Tadros, Executive Services Officer – Jennifer Anderson and Executive Assistant to the Director Community and Culture – Billie Johnson (Minutes).

OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Landsberry, opened the meeting at 6.00pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson, Councillor Landsberry 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.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REMEMBRANCE DAY

The Chair, Councillor Landsberry acknowledged the brave Australians who have served and those who have died as a result of war.

They went with songs to the battle, they were young, Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow; they were staunch to the end against odds uncounted. They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember them.

Lest We Forget.

Attendees observed 1 minute silence.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies or requests for leave of absence.

REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Chairperson, Councillor Landsberry 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

COM032-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 12 August 2024
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

That the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 12 August 2024, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COM033-24 Quarterly Community Property Report - 1 July 2024 to 30 September 2024
(Report by Coordinator, Programming and Operations)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu

That Council receive and note the Quarterly Community Property Report for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 September 2024.

Note: Councillor Arthur left the meeting at 6.06pm and was not present for voting on this item.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

COM034-24 Georges River Council Library Use and Membership Policy for Adoption
(Report by Coordinator Library Customer Experience)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu

That Council adopts the revised draft Georges River Council Library Use and Membership Policy after the draft Policy has been public exhibited for a period of not less than 28 days.

Note: Councillor Arthur returned to the meeting at 06:07pm

Note: Councillor Gao joined the meeting at 6.07pm

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

COM035-24 Name Proposal for Creative Studio in Merv Lynch Reserve, Beverly Hills (Report by Coordinator Library Operations)

RECOMMENDATION: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Allison

That Council approve the name 'Beverly Hills Creative Studio' for the facility located in Merv Lynch Reserve, Beverly Hills.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

COM036-24 Draft Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Strategy for Public Exhibition (Report by Community Capacity Building Officer - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Portfolio)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Arthur

- (a) That Council endorse the draft Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Strategy (Attachment 1) to be placed on public exhibition for an extended period of no less than 56 days.
- (b) That a further report be submitted to Council on the feedback received during the exhibition period, together with any recommended changes to the revised draft Strategy prior to adoption.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

COM037-24 Event Grant - Christmas in Kogarah (Report by Events Officer)

RECOMMENDATION: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Gao

That Council approves the event grant request of \$10,000 (\$9,450 financial and \$550 in kind value) to support the 'Christmas in Kogarah' event on Saturday 7 December 2024.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, 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 6.21pm., the Chair, Councillor Landsberry, 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 items considered during the course of the Closed Session will be withheld.

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

COM054A-24 Review of the Management of Synthetic Turf Fields (Report by Manager City Life)

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) (c) (d(i)) (d(ii)) it is considered the matter information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND concerns commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the position of a person who supplied it; AND 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 information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND concerns commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the position of a person who supplied it; AND commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

COM055A-24 Non-Exclusive Licence Agreement - St George District Cricket Club (Incorporated), Hurstville Oval Facilities (Report by Coordinator, Programming and Operations)

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(i)) it is considered the matter concerns commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the position of a person who supplied it.

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 concerns commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the position of a person who supplied it.

The Chair, Councillor Landsberry 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 Landsberry 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: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

That in accordance with Section 10A Clause 2 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Committee enter into Closed Session to discuss item/s:

- COM054A-24 - Review of the Management of Synthetic Turf Fields
- COM055A-24 - Non-Exclusive Licence Agreement - St George District Cricket Club (Incorporated), Hurstville Oval Facilities

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

CLOSED CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

COM054A-24 Review of the Management of Synthetic Turf Fields (Report by Manager City Life)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Mort, Councillor Gao

- (a) That Council receive and note the outcome of the review conducted and detailed within this confidential report.
- (b) That Council approve the direction for the management of synthetic turf sport fields as outlined in this report for a trial period of two years.
- (c) That Council officers communicate Council's decision with relevant stakeholders.
- (d) That a future report is presented to Council to outline the results of the two-year trial period for the management of synthetic turf sport fields.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

COM055A-24 Non-Exclusive Licence Agreement - St George District Cricket Club (Incorporated), Hurstville Oval Facilities (Report by Coordinator, Programming and Operations)

RECOMMENDATION: Councillor Arthur, Councillor Mort

That Council approve for the General Manager to enter into a Non-Exclusive Licence agreement with St George District Cricket Club (Incorporated) for the use of Hurstville Oval

facilities during each Summer Sporting Season for the term of the agreement and as further detailed within this report.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, 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 Wang, Councillor Allison

That the meeting revert to Open Session, the time being 6.42pm.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, 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: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Gao

That the recommendations from the Closed Session be confirmed as recommendations of the Committee:

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

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

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6.44pm

Chairperson