SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Council Meeting

Monday, 24 March 2025 7:00 PM

Dragon Room Civic Centre Hurstville



LATE ITEMS

MAYORAL MINUTE

MM005-25	Withdrawal of Development Application DA2024/0620 - Carss Park
	(Report by The Mayor, Councillor Borg)

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Item: MM005-25 Withdrawal of Development Application DA2024/0620 - Carss Park

Mayor: The Mayor, Councillor Borg

BACKGROUND

Council acknowledges the concerns raised by the community regarding Development Application DA2024/0620 at Carss Park. As a Council that values community feedback and engagement, we have listened carefully to the views expressed by our residents and stakeholders.

In response to these concerns, Council, as the applicant, will immediately instruct the independent consultant to withdraw Development Application DA2024/0620.

Georges River Council remains committed to fostering vibrant, accessible, and well-planned community spaces. As part of Transport for NSW's Vibrant Streets Package - Permit/Plug/Play (PPP) Pilot Program, Council had proposed three Development Applications, covering Hurstville (DA2025/0043), Kogarah (DA2024/0560), and Carss Park (DA2024/0620). These applications were designed to facilitate a streamlined approach to event approvals, aligning with our Events and Festivals Charter to create event-ready streets that support community activations.

The proposed framework allowed for a maximum of 52 events per year at each site over a fiveyear period. However, Council never intended to host events at this frequency but rather sought to simplify the approval process for future events. It is important to note that Council remains the determining authority for any event applications and will continue to assess each request in accordance with established policies and processes.

Given the community's concerns about the Carss Park location, I move that Council:

- 1. Formally withdraw Development Application DA2024/0620 for Carss Park.
- 2. Reaffirm Council's commitment to working collaboratively with residents and stakeholders to ensure future event initiatives align with community expectations and needs.
- 3. Council considers a future Development Application for events at Carss Bush Park and Flats that aligns with the current level of use of approximately 8-12 per year.

By taking this action, Council demonstrates its dedication to responsive governance and community-led decision-making. We appreciate the valuable feedback provided by our residents and look forward to continuing our work in enhancing our local events and public spaces for the benefit of all. Any future Development Application for events at Carss Bush Park would not intensify the use of the park beyond the number of events currently held there.

MOTION:

That Council:

- (i) Formally withdraw Development Application DA2024/0620 for Carss Park.
- (ii) Reaffirm Council's commitment to working collaboratively with residents and stakeholders to ensure future event initiatives align with community expectations and needs.
- (iii) Council considers a future Development Application for events at Carss Bush Park and Flats that aligns with the current level of use of approximately 8-12 per year.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

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