

MINUTES

Community and Culture Committee

Monday, 09 December 2019

6.00pm

Dragon Meeting Room

Level 1, Georges River Civic Centre

Hurstville



PRESENT

Council Members

Councillor Kathryn Landsberry (Chair), Councillor Sandy Grekas, Councillor Lou Konjarski, Councillor Leesha Payor, Councillor Warren Tegg and Councillor Christina Wu.

Council Staff

Director Community and Culture – Ms Rebekah Schulz, Business Improvement Officer – Mr Leo Chant, Manager Community and Cultural Development – Mr Scott Andrew, Manager Children’s Services – Ms Kristie Dodd, Acting Manager Customer Experience and Events – Ms Melinda McNaughton, Acting Manager Library Services – Mr Justin Yeomans, Coordinator Cultural Services – Ms Bethany MacRae, Coordinator Strategy and Innovation – Ms Hayley Barnes, Senior Project Officer – Ms Rebecca Nelson and Executive Assistant to Director Community and Culture – Ms Franzi Mintus.

OPENING

The Chair, Councillor Landsberry, opened the meeting at 6.04pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Landsberry acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land, the Biddegal people of the Eora Nation.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies or requests for leave of absence.

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 4 of Council’s Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council’s website.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Grekas declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item **COM051-19 Stronger Communities Funding Update** as her husband is a member of Hurstville Golf Course and her son plays for Renown United Junior Rugby League Football Club. Councillor Grekas remained in the meeting and took part in consideration and voting on this item.

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no registered speakers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

COMMUNITY AND CULTURE STANDING COMMITTEE - 11 NOVEMBER 2019

Recommendation: Councillor Grekas and Councillor Payor

That the Minutes of the Community and Culture Standing Committee held on 11 November 2019 be confirmed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COM049-19 Minutes of the Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday 5 November 2019

(Report by Economic Development Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Grekas

That Council adopt the recommendations as noted in the Minutes of the Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 5 November 2019.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM050-19 Outgoing Sponsorship and Donations

(Report by Acting Manager Customer Experience and Events)

Recommendation: Councillor Grekas and Councillor Konjarski

- (a) That Council approve the event sponsorship request of \$2,713 (\$2,574 financial value and \$139 in-kind value) to support 'Christmas Carols' on Sunday 22 December 2019.
- (b) That Council approve the event sponsorship request of \$687 (\$0 financial value and \$687 in-kind value) to support 'One Billion Rising' on Friday 14 February 2020.
- (c) That Council approve the event sponsorship request of \$612 (\$0 financial value and \$612 in kind value) to support 'Bard on the Beach at Carss Bush Park' on Friday 14, Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 February 2020.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM051-19 Stronger Communities Funding Update

(Report by Community Development Officer, Cultural Services)

Note: Councillor Grekas declared a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item **COM051-19**. She remained in the meeting and took part in consideration and voting on this item.

Recommendation: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Wu

- (a) That Council receive and note the update on the remaining Stronger Communities Fund projects as listed in this report;

- (b) That Council continue to receive regular reports on the remaining Stronger Communities Fund projects still in progress;
- (c) That Council note that the total interest accrued between 1 July 2019 and 31 October 2019, of \$45,490 is allocated to the Gannons Park Stage 3 works in accordance with the Stronger Community Fund Guidelines.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM052-19 Adoption of Georges River Place Naming Policy 2019

(Report by Acting Manager, Library Services)

Recommendation: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Grekas

- (a) That the amended Georges River Place Naming Policy 2020 be adopted by Council.
- (b) That, noting the expense to update existing plaques and with consideration of Council's fiscal responsibilities, Council apply the new criteria within the approved Place Naming Policy to all future plaques only.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM053-19 2020 Cultural Activation Program

(Report by Multicultural and Indigenous Development Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Grekas

That Council receive and note the cultural activation program for the Georges River local government area for 2020.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM054-19 Adoption of Hurstville Place Strategy - Heart of the City

(Report by Senior Project Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Wu and Councillor Konjarski

- (a) That Council notes the outcome of the exhibition of the draft Hurstville Place Strategy – Heart of the City.
- (b) That Council adopts the attached Hurstville Place Strategy – Heart of the City as amended in accordance with the details of this report.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM055-19 Establishment of Volunteer Credit Bank Barter System in the Georges River Local Government Area

(Report by Economic Development Officer)

Recommendation: Councillor Tegg and Councillor Payor

That Council promote the NSW Volunteer Timebanking community platform as means of encouraging the exchange of services to support community connections, established and start-up businesses in the Georges River Local Government Area. Promotion will include but not be limited to Councils website, social media platforms and through Councils extensive partners and networks including the St George Business Chamber and various community connections.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM056-19 Establishment of the Georges River Council Micro Grants Program
(Report by Manager Community & Cultural Development)**Recommendation:** Councillor Grekas and Councillor Konjarski

- (a) That Council approve the establishment of a Georges River Council Micro Grants Program;
- (b) That Council approve the allocation of \$9,000 of unspent funds from the 2019/20 Community Grants Program for the Micro Grants Program to be run in the 2019/20 financial year;
- (c) That Council seek sponsorship and partnership opportunities from local businesses to fund the 2020/21 Micro Grants Program;
- (d) That, should there be no sponsorship opportunities, Council approves \$10,000 to be allocated to the Micro Grants Program from the 2020/21 Community Grants program budget;
- (e) That, the updated Georges River Council Grants, Donations and Sponsorship Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days commencing from 20 January 2020 to seek community feedback; and
- (f) That the updated Georges River Council Grants, Donations and Sponsorship Policy be presented to Council for approval following public exhibition.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

COM057-19 Draft Georges River Council Public Art Policy
(Report by Coordinator Cultural Services)**Recommendation:** Councillor Konjarski and Councillor Grekas

- (a) That Council approve the draft Georges River Council Public Art Policy to be placed on public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days commencing from 20 January 2020;
- (b) That a further report be submitted to Council detailing feedback from any public submissions made during the exhibition period, together with any recommended changes to the draft Georges River Council Public Art Policy prior to adoption.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6.27pm.

Chairperson