

BUSINESS PAPER

EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, 5 April, 2016

**Meeting commences at the conclusion of the Community and
Corporate Services Committee Meeting**

**Council Chambers
Level 3, 2-14 Fisher Street
Petersham**

MARRICKVILLE COUNCIL

Administrative Centre
PETERSHAM

4 April 2016

Notice is given of the **EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**, to be held in the Council Chambers on Level 3 of the Administrative Centre, 2-14 Fisher Street, Petersham, on Tuesday, 5 April, 2016, commencing at the conclusion of the Community and Corporate Services Committee Meeting.

Yours faithfully

Brian Barrett
General Manager

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SUMMARY OF ITEMS

The following provides a summary of the items to be considered at the meeting.

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FOR A NEW COUNCIL**

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Item No: C0416 Item 1
Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST PROCESS FOR A NEW COUNCIL
File Ref: 14/4089/37073.16

From Councillor Sam Iskandar, Mayor of Marrickville

MOTION:

THAT Council calls on all existing Councillors to participate in the EOI process to select Councillors for any new merged Council.

Background

Local Government Minister Paul Toole wrote last week to all currently serving Councillors, asking for expressions of interest (EOI) for jobs that would be created if their council is merged.

The letter and accompanying EOI outlines four “types of roles” that may become available to currently serving councillors in a newly amalgamated council. These include Administrator, Councillor on a new council, Member of a Local Representation Committee, and Member of an Implementation Advisory Group. There is little explanation about how those roles would operate or whether those roles would even exist after the Minister has made a decision on an amalgamation.

We know 76% of our community do not want an amalgamation to occur. That is typical of most communities who are faced with amalgamations.

It would be easy for Councillors to feel they should not engage in the EOI process as it could be seen as ‘selling out’. Worse still, it could be seen as putting our own interests ahead of our community’s. Those are legitimate concerns.

I remind all Councillors that we are the only legitimate representatives of our local community. If we do not participate in this EOI process we are agreeing to deny our community a voice in this process. That, in my view, is totally unacceptable.

I will be expressing my interest to continue in my legitimate role as a Councillor representing the community I serve as any transition process occurs to form a new Council should the Minister decide to form one.

I call on all Councillors of every political persuasion to also express interest so we may properly represent the interests of the community.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.