

# AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE MEETING - DEBRIEF

## MINUTES



<b>Date</b>	7 October 2020	<b>Start Time:</b> 5.15pm	<b>Finish Time:</b> 6.25pm	<b>Location:</b> Skype meeting
<b>Meeting Purpose</b>	Commence coordination of Australia Day 2021			
<b>Attendees</b>	Lord Mayor, Cr Rimmer, Jeremy Lasek, Jim Powel, Robyn Hampton, Glen Moore, Bertha Quiros, Mary Bul, Andrew Horne, Andrew Clark, Ashley Heath, Sheryl Reddy Susan Wardle, Vera Cvetkoski			
<b>Apologies</b>	Geoff Phillips			
<b>Trim References:</b>	<b>Container Number</b>	CCE-040.095.196	<b>Record No</b>	Z20/228674

No.	What	Who	When	Completed
1	Apologies			
2	<p><u>Australian Day Celebrations – decisions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Light effects</li> <li>Locations</li> </ul> <p>The committee discussed the quotes provided for lighting on Australia Day which was in relation to cost, inclusions and reputation.</p> <p>Following this discussion, the committee agreed to proceed with Laser Vision and noted that consideration needed to be given ensuring that there is light in the sky for people to be able to see the display from wherever they are in the city. The committee also agreed that the display would be reduced to 1 hour.</p> <p>The 3 locations confirmed as being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Belmore Basin</li> <li>Bulli Beach area</li> <li>Warrawong - Lake Illawarra</li> </ul> <p>Susan Wardle advised that the display would be visible from a number of points around the city. Noting that it won't be visible from everywhere.</p> <p>Glen Moore noted the need to check the power of the lasers if there is a greater focus on the aerial component of the light display.</p>			

	<p>Committee agreed that the Lord Mayor could make the final decision on the Laser Vision proposal, noting changes discussed, when it has been received.</p> <p>Lord Mayor emphasised the need to ensure that Police were engaged in the process and supportive of the suggested activity. Susan Wardle noted that conversations with Police, Ambulance and NSW Health were occurring and that they are reluctant to see anything happen but reiterated the need to ensure that the requirements of the health orders were being managed.</p> <p>There was a suggestion to have WAVE FM broadcast the soundtrack for the display. Vera Cvetkoski reminder the committee that we are doing a 2 hour display. That there will not be amplified sound at the lighting venues and that the display would be on a 5 – 10 minute loop.</p> <p>On the motion of the Lord Mayor the committee agreed to proceed with the light display at 3 locations with the show reduced to 1 hour from 9pm to 10pm appointing Laser Vision as the preferred supplier and work with them to ensure that the sky is adequately lit up in order to create multiple vantage points for community to enjoy the show.</p> <p><u>Other elements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth services</li> </ul> <p>Vera Cvetkoski gave an update on the interest from Youth Services to integrate activation elements into Australia Day Noting specific interest in a concert series (pre-recorded or live), a series of photographic projections around the city. The committee were in agreeance that this would be a positive way forward and provided support to the Events team to pursue these conversations.</p> <p>Jeremy Lasek noted the possibility of including activations in the lead up to Australia day and further noted that this would be dependent upon budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surfboat race</li> </ul> <p>Jim Powel noted that he has spoken with Steven Price Surf Lifesaving NSW noting that they were very interested in pursuing the establishment of a surfboat race on Australia Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aerial flyover</li> </ul> <p>Vera Cvetkoski gave an update noting that HARS had advised that the cost for a flyover which included 5 aeroplanes would cost \$15k + \$1k for CASA requirements.</p> <p>Vera Cvetkoski noted further that there have been conversations with Touchdown helicopters regarding the possibility of doing a flyover with the Australian Flag in Tow, this would be at a cost of \$1,963 per hour and would take approximately 2 hours. Council would need to provide the flag. Lord Mayor suggested that BlueScope be approached with regard to supplying one of their large flags.</p> <p>The committee agreed that the opportunity to share the cost of the aerial display for Australia Day be offered to Shellharbour and Kiama Councils. It was noted that early conversation with Sutherland Council's interest will be closed as HARS are unable to fly over land with such a display.</p>			
3	<p><u>Australia Day Awards</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on nominations</li> </ul>			

	<p>Vera Cvetkoski gave an update noting that the nominations are now open and encouraged committee to share with their contacts in the attempt to attract nominations.</p> <p>Vera further noted that the media team were working on social media promotion and that a media release had been circulated.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding the Awards presentation format. Vera Cvetkoski noted the importance of considering the Sponsors requirements within the format for 2020.</p> <p>Lord Mayor suggested that there could possibly be function depending upon the number of nomination's this would be a scaled back version of previous years.</p> <p>Cr Rimmer expressed her support of proceeding with a scaled back event. Her preference is seated rather than mingling and limit number of people.</p> <p>There was discussion with contribution from Susan Wardle, Jeremy Lasek and Andrew Clark regarding the format of the presentation noting that there could be a telecast or webcast.</p> <p>The committee agreed that it to form a sub working group for frame the Australia Day Awards presentation. Upon self nomination the working group consists of Andrew Horne, Jeremy Lasek, Andrew Clark.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding the draft Rubric that Andrew Clark tabled. The committee were in agreeance that there is a requirement however felt that this was too complex. The Lord Mayor invited Andrew Clark to meet with him and work through to an achievable matrix.</p>			
4	<p><u>Australia Day Ambassador Program</u></p> <p>There was discussion regarding the Ambassador with Vera Cvetkoski noting that an approach had been made to Damien Leith and his management team. Response is pending.</p>			
5	<p><u>Australia Day Baby</u></p> <p>Robyn Hampton gave an update noting that the Australia Day baby hamper is all under control</p>			
6	<p><u>Australia Day Volunteers</u></p> <p>Nothing to update</p>			
7	<p><u>General Business</u></p> <p>Correspondence from Rotary regarding the Gun Battery March cancellation was tabled.</p> <p>Robyn Hampton requested that an expression of interest could be sent to other sporting associations including Golf Club, tennis club, yacht club to run a challenge or cup day in association with Australia Day. This would bring some significance of the day. The committee agreed that this was a good idea and that letter of invitation be sent to these groups from the office of the Lord Mayor.</p>			
8	<p><u>2020 2021 Meeting schedule</u></p> <p>Wednesday 4 November 2020</p> <p>Wednesday 2 December 2020</p> <p>Debrief meeting - Wednesday 10 February 2021</p>			

9	There being no further business to discuss the meeting was declared closed at 1825hrs			
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**Next meeting date: WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2020 SKYPE MEETING**