Department of Planning and Environment



Our ref: IRF23/55

Monica Barone Chief Executive Officer City of Sydney Council GPO Box 1591 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Ms Barone

Planning proposal PP-2021-6962 to amend Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2012

I am writing in response to the planning proposal you have forwarded to the Minister under section 3.34(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) and additional information received on 24 November 2022 in respect of the planning proposal to support redevelopment of 923-935 Bourke Street, Waterloo, through amended development standards to permit the delivery of a large retail premises of 3,200m².

As delegate of the Minister for Planning and Homes, I have determined that the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the enclosed gateway determination.

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the inconsistency of the planning proposal with applicable directions of the Minister under section 9.1 of the EP&A Act 1.4 Site Specific Provisions is justified in accordance with the terms of the Direction.

Considering the nature of the planning proposal I have determined that Council may exercise local plan-making authority functions in relation to the planning proposal.

The proposed local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised on or before 6 November 2023. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Should Council seek to make a proposed LEP, the request to draft the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office well in advance of the date the LEP is projected to be made. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment.

The NSW Government has committed to reduce the time taken to complete LEPs. To meet these commitments, the Minister may appoint an alternate planning proposal authority if Council does not meet the timeframes outlined in the gateway determination.

The Department's categorisation of planning proposals in the *Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline* (Department of Planning and Environment, 2021) is supported by category specific timeframes for satisfaction of conditions and authority and Government agency referrals, consultation, and responses. Compliance with milestones will be monitored by the Department to ensure planning proposals are progressing as required. Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Palitja Woodruff, Senior Planner, to assist you. Palitja can be contacted on 8217-2092.

Yours sincerely

Katie Joyner Director City of Sydney and Eastern District

Encl: Gateway determination