

MINUTES OF THE SYDNEY EAST JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL MEETING HELD AT WOOLLAHRA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY, 5 MAY 2010 AT 12.45 PM

PRESENT:

John Roseth	Chair
David Furlong	Panel Member
Mary-Lynne Taylor	Panel Member
Chris Howe	Panel Member
Malcolm Young	Panel Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Allan Coker	Director Planning & Development
Nick Economou	Acting Manager Development Control
David Waghorn	Team Leader Development Control
Simon Taylor	Senior Assessment Officer
Les Windle	Manager Governance

APOLOGY: NIL

The meeting commenced at 12.45pm. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Panel.

1. Declarations of Interest: Nil

2. Business Items

ITEM 1 - 2009SYE012 – Woollahra – DA 355/2008/1 – Emanuel Synagogue - Partial Redevelopment and Restoration, 7-9 Ocean Street, Woollahra

3. Public Submission -

Ms Elizabeth Gervay addressed the panel **against** the Item
Mr Tony Vinson addressed the panel **against** the Item
Mr Peter Gray addressed the panel **against** the Item
Mr David Mitchell addressed the panel **against** the Item
Mr Dan Kelly addressed the panel **against** the Item
Mr Bart Maiorana addressed the panel **against** the Item
Mr Lewis Adey addressed the panel **in favour** of the Item (on behalf of the applicant)
Rabbi Jeffrey Kamins addressed the panel **in favour** of the Item (on behalf of the owner)
Mr Harvey Sanders addressed the panel **in favour** of the Item (on behalf of the applicant)

Mr James Phillips addressed the panel **in favour** of the Item (on behalf of the applicant)
Ms Shelley Indyk addressed the panel **in favour** of the Item (on behalf of the applicant)
Mr Gordon Woolf addressed the panel **in favour** of the Item (on behalf of the owner)
Councillor Anthony Boskovitz addressed the panel **in favour** of the Item

4. Business Item Recommendations

2009SYE012 – Woollahra – DA 355/2008/1 – Emanuel Synagogue - Partial Redevelopment and Restoration, 7-9 Ocean Street, Woollahra

1. The Panel resolved unanimously to accept the planning assessment report's recommendation to grant consent to the development subject to the conditions attached to the report except as listed below. The changes to the conditions are not unanimous but by majority decision.
2. Condition C1(a) is replaced by a condition requiring that both floors of the Community/Administration Building be moved 2.5m to the north. The new condition reads: *The Community/Administration Building shall be moved 2.5m to the north so that the northern wall of the ground floor is no less than 3.3m and the northern wall of the first floor is no less than 2.0m from the northern boundary.*
The new Condition C1(a) is imposed by a majority of 3:2. Mary Lynne Taylor, Malcolm Young and Chris Howe voted for it. The reason for it is the desire to increase the view from the street to the Lipson building. John Roseth and David Furlong did not support this condition or the original Condition c1(a), on the basis that there is no clear view now of the Lipson building from Ocean Street and there is no obligation on the applicant to provide a view to the street from a battleaxe allotment.
3. An additional condition is imposed requiring the deletion of the blast wall and gate fronting Ocean Street. This condition is imposed by a majority of 3:2. Mary Lynne Taylor, Malcolm Young and Chris Howe voted for it. The reasons for it are that the wall as proposed is in contradiction of council's controls and would inappropriately obscure the view of a draft heritage item. It would be an intrusive element in the heritage conservation streetscape and not in keeping with the openness of places of worship in the community. John Roseth and David Furlong did not support the imposition of this condition on the basis that the proposed security wall is set back from the street, landscaped in front and there are several other nearby examples in the street of walls that are higher.
4. Condition C1(b) is reworded by agreement as follows:
The use of the rear setback area of 6 Woods Avenue for the storage of garbage and recycling bins.
5. Condition D2 is deleted.
6. Condition D6 is deleted.
7. Condition G17 is deleted.
8. Condition E21(d) is replaced by the following:
The following work must not take place before 9.30 am or after 2.30 pm any weekday or before 9.00 am or after 1.00 pm any Saturday or at any time on a Sunday or public holiday: piling, piercing, rock or concrete cutting, boring, drilling, rock breaking, rock sawing, jack hammering or machine excavation.
9. In response to the residents' concern about the kindergarten, the Panel notes that no increase in the activity is proposed.

The meeting concluded at 3.15pm.

Endorsed by:

John Roseth
Chair, Sydney East Planning Panel
10 May 2010