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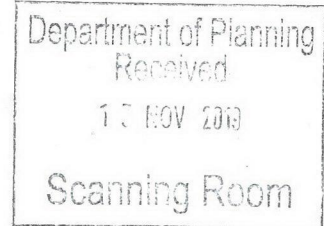
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Planning and Assessment
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
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Sydney NSW 2001

Attention: Director – Key Sites Assessment

RE: SSD – 8924 – The new Sydney Fish Market Concept and Stage 1
SDD – 8925 – The new Sydney Fish Market Stage 2



Dear Sir / Madam

I am objecting to both these DAs for the following reasons:

The new location proposed for the Fish Market will create a massive bottleneck in the existing road infrastructure and there appears to be little thought or planning into how this problem is to be addressed.

The whole concept of selling off public land to pay an over inflated price for a new Fish Market with a new set of difficulties with transport and disruption, is absurd!

The people of NSW currently own all the land and yes, we do need a new Fish Market. However, what is wrong with fully designing and solving the current traffic and disruption issues on the existing site, setting up a public tender to rebuild the Fish Market on the existing site and then use the supplementary land for a marina or another lower density use.

Currently money is at ridiculously low interest rates which should be utilized by the Government to improve the infrastructure for all people in NSW and not just to make a few developers rich. If a developer can make a dollar out of this site, then surely so can a government which currently holds all the cards.

If you are planners working for the Government then it is your responsibility to make the right choice for all tax payers and not look for an easy way out.

Your current offering is poor on so many levels and if you think that you are doing a good job selling public land to pay for something that you could and should do yourselves, is a disgrace!

Are appear to be going to go down the same regretful route of selling public assets are potential rental gold mines, ie Telstra, Ausgrid. By all means sell the management rights, but never the asset!

Your proposal will give people something new but you are not addressing parking and congestion issues that need to be the focus of the exercise. A bit of smart planning is required but first you need to correct a fundamental flaw in the idea of relocating to sell off the land!

I implore you to go back to basics and have another look at this whole funding model because what you have presented will be an environmental disaster with traffic chaos and a reduction in amenity

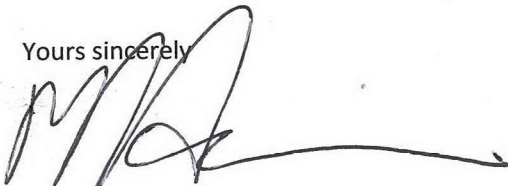
for local residents. You will be doing no one any service by relocating the Fish Market and selling the land other than to a few select developers.

I am angry and frustrated at the lack of transparency and an apparent disregard for addressing the real issues with traffic and amenity with something that should never have got this far.

I would like to hear your response but I would also urge a serious reconsideration as this current offering will cause grief for years to come.

Happy to discuss.

Yours sincerely

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