

Matthew Rosel

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 20 September 2018 10:20 PM
To: Matthew Rosel
Subject: The Star / Ritz-Carlton proposal in Pymont

RE: MP08_0098 MOD 13

Dear Matthew,

As a local resident, I am writing to you in reference to the above development application involving a new hotel and residential tower at the Star Casino site in order to express my strong support for this proposal.

I have been engaged with the Star as part of their Community Consultation Group from the very beginning of this development approval process. This Group represented interests of a wide mix of local residents and I would be surprised if any of them disagreed that it was an exemplary process of how a developer-community engagement process should work. There have been no precedents I am aware of in our local area where a developer sought to engage with the local community in the way the Star have in relation to this project, with update meetings held at regular intervals. The community has been involved throughout the design process and we were given multiple opportunities to meet the architects and openly expressed feedback which was addressed in these forums. As a result, I feel that I have, as have many others, had a say in arriving at the final design which is the subject of this application. Given the efforts and time spent, I would like to see it approved.

As a resident of one the closest buildings to the proposed tower (located [REDACTED]), I am clearly aware of the tower's heights and its "imposing" structure. Yet I believe the proposed building to be truly iconic in nature, exhibiting an excellent design through its sculptural architecture. It will no doubt be a landmark building for both Pymont and the City of Sydney. The architect behind this design is one of the most reputable in our country and, by drawing on local character of the area through incorporating such elements as sandstone, he arrived at a beautiful design our City deserves and will be proud of. We must not forget, that this is a central, exciting and ever-evolving part of the world-class city and this development would add to the unique character of Pymont, while supporting local community and creating a new exciting destination.

I am convinced this development will be an exciting addition to our neighbourhood, recognising its constant evolution as well as that of our city and economy.

Thank you for your consideration.

Your Sincerely

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