ITEM 5.2	**MAYORAL MINUTE NO 23/2014 - CREATE A POLICY FOR POP-UP BARS IN PUBLIC SPACES**
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ATTACHMENTS	**NIL**

BACKGROUND

I have recently had a number of discussions and received informal requests inquiring about the opportunity of setting up pop-up bars in public areas around Warringah.

Pop-up bars are becoming increasingly popular and not just within the Sydney CBD. Typically, they are set up at events such as Festivals and during particular times of the year to maximize pedestrian traffic or to showcase a particular theme or event such as during the Sydney Festival. For those who attended the opening night of La Lune, you will have seen the popularity of the pop-up-bar that was set up for that event.

The inquiries I have received go further and suggest the option of setting up pop-up bars in places such as neighbourhood shopping centres where there are local restaurants nearby or within the actual centres. The concept being that, people have the opportunity to go to a pop-up bar for a pre- or post-dinner drink, or for a quick catch up with friends before dining at the local restaurant or going elsewhere for a meal.

Taking into account the growing popularity of pop-up bars, I believe it is important that Council has a clear policy in relation to the establishment of pop-up bars. I sought the advice of local police who are keen to have input into the development of this policy as would I'm sure, the general public and local businesses.

I therefore ask Council staff to consider the creation of such a policy and I understand that funds are available within existing operational budgets to undertake this work.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council staff:

A. draft a Policy for the establishment of pop-up bars in Warringah to be brought back to Council for consideration prior to the Policy being placed on public exhibition.

B. Consult with Police NSW Local Area Command and relevant State Government agencies to identify any issues impacting on such a Policy.

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