



## Report to General Manager

Attachments:  
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**SUBJECT:** Rock Face Stabilisation in Kurraba Reserve – Tender No. 11/2019

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**ENDORSED BY:** Rob Emerson, Director Open Space and Environmental Services

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Tenders were called and were received until 4.00 pm on Thursday, 22 November 2018 for the submission of tenders to undertake Rock Face Stabilisation in Kurraba Reserve.

*In order for Councillors to discuss the content of this Commercial in Confidence report it will be necessary to close the Council meeting to the public.*

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Partial funding for this project is included in the adopted 2018/19 budget. Additional funding of \$78,000 will be required to deliver the works and it has been agreed that it can be funded from the EPS Division's "Stabilisation of Retaining Walls and Rocks Program" in order to provide the additional funds required to complete the Kurraba Reserve rock face stabilisation works.

### RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT** Council accept the tender of the highest ranked Tenderer for Tender No. 11/2019 for Rock Face Stabilisation in Kurraba Reserve.
  - 2. THAT** the General Manager be authorised to take any necessary action to implement the decision including entering associated contracts.
  - 3. THAT,** once Council has executed the Contract, information relating to the successful tender be published in Council's Register of Contracts as required by *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 - Part 3 Division 5 - Government Contracts With Private Sector*.
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## **LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN**

Direction: 1. Our Living Environment

Outcome: 1.1 Protected and enhanced natural environment and biodiversity  
1.4 Public open space and recreation facilities and services meet community needs

## **BACKGROUND**

The subject rock face is located within Kurraba Reserve which is situated at the end of Kurraba Point. The Reserve is an open, grass covered, parkland area located on the eastern side of Neutral Bay.

The rock face is approximately 130 metres in overall length and about 10 m high, however, only the northern section of the rock face has been affected by the recent rock fall and is the subject of proposed works.

Kurraba Reserve was formerly used as a quarry from which approximately 8,000 tons of sandstone was excavated for use in the fortification of Fort Denison in 1855. In its later years the waterfront area was used as the Depot of the Manly and Port Jackson Ferry Company.

The subject rock face is generally characterized by an upper section which was until recently heavily obscured by vegetation and it appears to comprise moderate and highly weathered sandstone with evidence of some detached rock blocks, weathered sandstone and fill. The lower section comprises an excavated vertical rock face.

Private properties comprising residential unit blocks are located beyond the crest of the rock face. Property boundaries are set-back between about 4 to 9 metres from the crest of the face.

Many fallen of the recently fallen rocks of various sizes are located along the base of the face of some are situated close to the existing kayak storage rack.

Due to the recent rock fall NSC erected exclusion fencing along the base of the rock due to a perceived risk to the public from rock falls. All kayaks located in the storage racks have been relocated away from the base of the rock face and an owner notification process was undertaken by Council Rangers.

Subsequently NSC requested for a consultant engineering company Douglas Partners to conduct a geotechnical assessment of the stability of the rock face. The work was carried out and scope of works, which forms the basis for this tender, was prepared.

## **SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT**

The sustainability implications are of a minor nature and did not warrant a detailed assessment.

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## TENDERS RECEIVED

The methodology adopted to undertake the tender evaluation of Tender No. 11/2019 was based on selection criteria outlined in the tender documents and in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

Tenders were called and closed at 4.00 pm on Thursday, 22 November 2018. Seven tenders were received by the appointed time. Listed in **strict alphabetical order**, the tenderers were:

<b>Tenderer</b>
Civil Works NSW Pty Ltd
GPM Constructions
Ground Stabilisation Systems
PCA Ground Engineering
Retaining Specialist Pty Ltd
Specialist Site Services Pty Ltd
Technarch Pty Ltd

One tender submission from Ormon Civil Pty Ltd was received late at 5.39 pm via email.

Information provided by tenderers which is commercial-in-confidence has been protected and will not be disclosed in accordance with section 10A(2)(d) of the *Local Government Act 1993*. A consistent standard for all tenderers has been used in assessing any request for confidentiality by a tenderer.

Application for access to documentation should be through lodgement of a GIPA Public Information application form and payment of prescribed fees.

## Financial Implications

Current Budget Year: Financial Year 2017/2018

Future Financial Years: N/A

## Project Program

Anticipated Start: 16 January 2019

Anticipated Completion: 13 February 2019

Responsible Officer: Alicja Batorowicz, Landscape Projects Coordinator

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