

Item No: C1114 Item 18

**Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: MOVING GALLIPOLI CENTENARY PEACE
CAMPAIGN DEBATE TO MAY 2015**

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From Councillor Victor Macri

MOTION:

THAT:

- 1. the debate hosted by the Gallipoli Centenary Peace Campaign take place as planned, but in May 2015; and**
 - 2. Council provide in-kind assistance to the Gallipoli Centenary Peace Campaign for the use of Petersham Town Hall for the debate in May 2015.**
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Background

Marrickville Council has planned an extensive program for the Anzac Centenary, culminating in the Marrickville Remembers Parade and unveiling of the new Winged Victory on Sunday 19 April 2015.

In July 2014, Council resolved to provide in-kind assistance to the Gallipoli Centenary Peace Campaign for the use of Petersham Town Hall on 21 or 22 April 2015 to host a debate relating to Anzac Day activities.

This request was previously considered by the Gallipoli Centenary Committee, and the Committee did not feel it was within the scope and intent of the program of Marrickville Remembers.

While I support the right to free speech and debate, the Committee and myself feel having the debate on the 21 or 22 April, between the Marrickville Council major celebration on the 19 April and Anzac Day on 25 April, is not appropriate timing for this debate. The debate should go ahead, but after Anzac Day 2015, and preferably in May 2015.

Officer's Comments:

There is availability to hold the Gallipoli Centenary Peace Debate in Petersham Town Hall on 5 May 2015.

Resource Implications:

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.