

MM-2 MAYORAL MINUTE - MAJORS BAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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REPORT

I would like to advise Council of the formation of the Majors Bay Chamber of Commerce and welcome Executive Members to the meeting. The establishment of this new Chamber will bring a fresh approach to the management and development of Majors Bay Road, Concord. I look forward to working closely with the team to further enhance the village and business centre.

We know from experience, when business and Council come together in partnership we can create more active vibrant places. As one of our premier destinations in the City of Canada Bay, we will work together to ensure that we maximise the return on our investment in the Centre promoting Majors Bay Road as an appealing destination for visitors.

We have some major works and investments in the next year that will underpin Council's commitment to the area. The replacement of the road pavement along Majors Bay Road in July 2013 will see over \$1,600,000 spent locally. The development of the Brewer Street entry to the village will improve the streetscape. In the coming year we will see an upgrade to local bus shelters. Our team will continue to work with business owners in the area to promote and beautify the strip with banners, Christmas decorations and ambient lighting programs.

The members of the new Chamber are:

- President, Mario Mezzio
- Vice President, Marie Piccin
- Secretary, Joe Calabrese
- Treasurer, John Kosmos
- Executive Member, John Abrahams
- Executive Member, Robert Galati
- Executive Member, Paul Pettenon

We look forward to working with the Chamber in an active partnership to further enhance Majors Bay Road, Concord.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council congratulate the Majors Bay Chamber of Commerce Executive and team in establishing this new Chamber and attracting new members from within the local business community.