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Submission: As a Canada Bay City Council resident and ratepayer I find the combined Council submission to IPART totally unacceptable and am opposed to it.

Canada Bay council's part in this proposal totally goes against a unanimous vote by Canada Bay City Council to stand alone. It also ignores a phone survey commissioned by council, that showed 1% approval for a merger with Auburn and 72% approval for remaining alone. In this regard the submission ignores the wishes of the ratepayers and elected representatives.

The proponents of the combined Council submission appear to disregard the differences in the demographics and culture of Canada Bay and Auburn especially.

This combined Council submission is, in my view, the worst possible of all the various combinations of council mergers involving Canada Bay, that have been put forward.

My preference would be to stand alone or if this is not possible, the NSW government proposed merger. Regards

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