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Submission: I do not support City of Sydney Council amalgamating or merging with any other councils. As a long term resident in the council area, they are doing a fantastic job of creating a visionary and liveable city. they are financially strong and independent, they spend the money they have wisely and they have a vision for the future.

Merging them with any other council seems ludicrous from a financial and practical sense. If there is a proposal to abolish the state level of government and provide additional responsibilities to council then it might make sense. But there is not and forcing City of Sydney to merge I believe will only gloss over the problems of the other councils.

I have seen no evidence, nor heard any compelling argument from the NSW government that suggests or articulates why mergers are a positive thing.

The city of Sydney is financially strong, manages its huge amount of infrastructure way and responsibly, provides an exceptional level of service and is providing wonderful community assets and services.

I am strongly opposed to City of Sydney merging or amalgamating with any other council, especially if it is forced.

Regards  
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