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Submission: The City of Sydney meets the needs of its residents, as demonstrated by its electoral popularity at both state and local level.

The City of Sydney has made plans for the future that are demonstrably unique, fit the desire of its constituents, and can plausibly be expected to be paid for. An amalgamation would endanger such plans.

Botany, Randwick, Waverly, and Woollahra are a disparate, motley crew of demographics. There is no obvious reason to administer them from a central council other than to dilute their independence and save costs.

If cost saving potential cannot be emphatically, objectively demonstrated - and our state government has failed to do just that - then I do not support the merger.