

**From:** Marco Quivaqui  
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**To:** Local Government Mailbox  
**Subject:** Re: Amalgamation of Councils: City of Sydney

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a resident from Zetland, located in the City of Sydney council area and I am writing to you to express my concern with the potential merge of the City of Sydney council with other councils.

I am not against amalgamation of councils because I think some councils are small and should be merged. It is costly to run so many small councils in a city of only 3 to 4 million people.

However, in the case of the City of Sydney, it should not be merged.

The extent of this council includes the main Central and Business district of the country and it also includes suburbs such as Alexandria, Rosebery, Zetland, Redfern Potts Point, Surry Hills, Darlinghurst, etc. This council may include the most dense and populated area in the country and it generates an important source of income in our national economy. However, despite the size of the population living and working in the area, the council manage to provide an excellent service.

I, as a neighbour of the area and also as a contributor, I am happy to pay my council rates because I can see the work the Major of this City is doing in my area and also across all the different suburbs which are part of this council.

Another big concern that I have with this potential Amalgamation is the risk of the timely delivery of the current redevelopment of the Green Square area.

Here, in Zetland, we have waited for so many years for this redevelopment to happen and we can finally see that this is becoming a reality.

We can see the big effort and the budget allocation that the City of Sydney is investing. They are dedicated to provide quality facilities such as the new Library and the new Swimming Pool. This project even includes a future light rail, which, unfortunately has not even been considered by the State government at this stage despite the massive growth in population in the area.

The City of Sydney has the vision and I support that vision.

An amalgamation will definitely, without a doubt, delay this major development.

I am a strong supporter of the vision of the State Government to invest in infrastructure for NSW and I think that the City of Sydney has the same goal.

We should all work together and support what works well.

That is why I support my council, the City of Sydney

Regards

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