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Submission: The proposal from Canada Bay Council to amalgamate with Auburn and Burwood Councils does not have the support of the majority of Canada Bay councillors or residents who were surveyed. The vote to amalgamate on 16 July only passed because one councillor was absent from the meeting. On 9 July all councillors voted for a Stand Alone proposal to be submitted. This resolution to Stand Alone has not been overturned by Canada Bay Council. The 16 July motion to amalgamate was immediately followed by a recision motion which failed only on the casting vote of The Mayor. The recision motion was proposed by the mover of the amalgamation motion to prevent withdrawal of the amalgamation motion before the 30 June deadline for submissions to IPART. This tactic could be subject to legal challenge.

Thus, the Canada Bay proposal to amalgamate should not be treated as a valid proposal by IPART. It could be illegal and has been overwhelmingly rejected by the local community.