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Subject: Submission relating to the Macquarie point stadium proposal
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Dear Committee Secretary

I write to outline my opposition to the proposed \$750 million stadium at Macquarie Point.

I am compelled to ask why this off-the-shoulder political support for this project, largely at the behest of the State Government but eliciting the influence powerful and self-interested AFL, should prevail over a considered and rational approach to developing the Macquarie Point precinct.

The dysfunction of the Sullivan's Code Authority is now the stuff of legend, in relation both to an effectively complete lack of outcomes that could be described as being in the public interest, and the truckloads of public dollars squandered on salaries and their pseudo-projects over so many years.

That successive Governments have permitted these non-productive excesses, and are now promoting a singular model so obviously outside the competitive process, is an abrogation of the public duty and an ethical dilemma, all in the name of political expediency.

This proposal is patently political in every sense, and fails every rational pub test.

Several far more worthy proposals have been put forward, yet the current political push is for a single model, wiping away every other worthy proposal with the swipe out the pens of recent State Premiers.

Where is the open and transparent case for this project ... the answer is obvious to the public at large. There isn't one!

This precinct has been described as the most valuable waterfront real estate currently up for development in the entire country.

It is beholden on our elected representatives to make rational and defensible decisions that are primarily in the public interest, being a Government owned space with such potential (and I don't mean potential entirely for the insatiable developers)?

Kind regards

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