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Better amenities

It is to be expected that the City of Sydney council will object to planning proposals outside their control ("Opposition grows to bank's plans for towers", July 13) but it is strange to see the Australian Institute of Architects is also concerned about the unsolicited proposal for the metro rail station in Martin Place. It seems that both organisations are concerned because the proposal would result in a "poor urban outcome for Sydney, reducing amenity levels". Surely the amenity is increased with a new metro rail network that connects the suburbs to the city and with the stations integrated into the fabric of buildings around Martin Place. There will be some height with new buildings but overall the amenity will be improved.

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