

Memorandum: Lord Mayor

Deputy Lord Mayor Elected Members

Response to Question Without Notice GRANT FUNDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Meeting: Finance and Governance Committee Meeting date: 18 August 2020

Raised by: Alderman Briscoe

Question:

Due to some feedback (and some confusion that may have the potential to derail funding projects) in the community and from some politicians to me who are unsure what the priorities of the city in seeking major grant funds for infrastructure projects particularly in the COVID era where the State and Federal Government are providing funds for stimulation of the economy;

- 1. (a) What are the current Hobart City Council projects seeking grant funds and their order of priority?
 - (b) If there is, who decided the priorities?
- 2. Is there a coordinated effort by the elected leadership and the executive team to push the same projects (for example, the aquatic centre upgrade)?

Response:

Requests for assistance and formal applications have been lodged with a number of potential funding sources in attempts to secure external funding for the City to help progress the numerous projects originally planned for implementation in the 2020/21 financial year, but deferred due to the financial impacts of COVID-19.

A list of the projects identified as requiring external funding was tabled at the Council meeting held 25 May 2020. The schedule (refer to copy marked as **Attachment A** to this response) listed the numerous projects, along with the potential funding sources. Some projects have been the subject of multiple applications and some may receive a mix of funding from various sources.

Care has been taken to try and avoid prioritisation of the numerous projects. There has been a focus on aligning projects with relevant funding sources. That said, a key long standing corporate priority is the refurbishment of the Doone Kennedy Hobart Aquatic Centre.

Planning associated with the refurbishment of the Doone Kennedy Hobart Aquatic Centre has been underway for many years and external funding assistance is required given the expected costs of the project. The estimated cost for the full redevelopment sits at \$26M.

To date, the Council has spent \$4.1M and has allocated a further \$2.5M this financial year and next, principally for the leisure pool, the 25 metre pool and minor works for the change rooms.

The State Government previously offered a \$3M grant plus a \$3.5M interest free loan to assist in the warm water pool component of the redevelopment. The State Government has recently reconfirmed its commitment to the grant of \$3M. It is unlikely that the offer of the loan will be taken up due to the Council's ability to service it.

A planning permit has been secured for the substantive redevelopment that is programmed to be staged given the funding demands of the entire project and the City continues to seek opportunities for state and federal funding through economic stimulus for the remaining \$16M required to complete the full refurbishment.

The Doone Kennedy Hobart Aquatic Centre Project is ideally placed as many of the potential funding sources require projects to be 'shovel ready' in order that they help provide stimulus to the economy following the impacts of the pandemic.

As indicated at the 25 May Council meeting, there are numerous other projects identified as suitable for the allocation of stimulus funding and every effort is being made to secure grants accordingly.

Discussion with the Australian Government by the Council of Capital City Lord Mayors (CCCLM) has been ongoing for a number of months. The City is hopeful that assistance to undertake works on a number of road related projects might be announced soon, whilst consideration for the provision of funding for other projects (the DKHAC upgrade chief amongst them) is underway.

As signatory to this report, I certify that, pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, I hold no interest, as referred to in Section 49 of the Local Government Act 1993, in matters contained in this report.

Geoff Lang

(ACTING) DIRECTOR CITY AMENITY

Tim Short

DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER

Date: 10 September 2020 File Reference: F20/92758; 13-1-10

Attachment A: Council Meeting - 25 May 2020 - Capital Works Program Grant

Requests

Program	Sub-Program	Prejort	SEND BALANCE III	MicCORMACK	WILKIE	OTHER	URBAN	OTHER	OTHER	LEVEL THE	OCCUM	City Deal	Other
	Total	,	DICH				CONGESTION			PLAYING FIELD			
				14,940,000	780,000	12,670,000	1,250,000	15,300,000	2,582,000	1,340,000	76,837,688	11,850,000	4,937,000
Program New	Buildings	Multistory Car Parks - Roof Safety Fence					_				500,000		
New	Bushland infrastructure	Halls Saddle Visitors Nook				5,450,000					5,700,000		
New	Bushland Infrastructure	Bushland Operations Depot - security				3,430,000					100,000		
New	Bushland Infrastructure	The Springs Lookout						200,000					
New	City Innovation - Connected Hobart	City Security - Security Operations	300,000								1,600,000	1,600,000	900,000
New	City (nnovation - Connected Hobart	Connected Precincts Infrastructure	201,000								1,700,000		
New	City Innovation - Connected Hobart	Digital Bus Stop Infrastructure (New and Dunn Place EV Fast Charge Station									1,000,000		
New	City Innovation - Connected Hobert Parks Infrastructure	New Street Trees									50,000 250,000		50,000
New	Parks Infrastructure	Lower Sandy Bay Adult Exercise						180,000			150,000		
New	Parks Infrastructure	Wellesley Park Access (Southern)						280,000	150,000		125,000		
New	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	Tolmans Hill New Public Convenience						450,000	200,000		450,000		
New	Queens Domain Program	Domain Summit Facilities									1,200,000		
New	Roads Infrastructure	Pinnacle Road Roundabout				800,000							
New	Roads Infrastructure	Tolman's Hill Road Networks						700,000					
New	Sporting Infrastructure	Cornellian Bay Oval Development West Hobart Oval New Pathways								890,000	4,220,188		
New	Sporting infrastructure Stormwater Reticulation & Rivulets	Hampden Road- Ellerslie to Sandy Bay -							25,000		200,000		
New	Stormwater Reticulation & Rivulets Stormwater Reticulation & Rivulets	No.3 Ridgeway Road - DN300									200,000 65,000		
New	Stormwater Reticulation & Rivulets	Pinnacle Road Stormwater				450,000					45,000		
New	Walking Infrastructure	Aberdeen Street - Footpath Construction				,					350,000		
UPGRADE													
Upgrade	Buildings	DKHAC - Major Refurbishment &	100,000					7,000,000			20,000,000	7,000,000	
Upgrade	Bushland Infrastructure	Fire trail upgrades	600,000	250,000		1,250,000						400,000	
Upgrade	Bushland Infrastructure	Zig Zag Track				470,000		470,000			700,000		
Upgrade	Bushland Infrastructure	Lenah Valley Wall Reconstruction										150,000	
Upgrade	Bushland Infrastructure	Pipeline Track Upgrade										500,000	
Upgrade	Bushland infrastructure	Tolman's Hill Walking Track						350,000					
Upgrade	City Innovation - Sustainable Hobart Cycling Infrastructure	Street Light Acquisition (TasNetworks) Oycling Infrastructure - Implementation	200,000 150,000								110000		
Upgrade Upgrade	Parking	New Town Senior Citizen Carpark	150,000					350,000			350,000		
Upgrade	Parks Infrastructure	New Town Oval and Netball Centre						330,000			1,215,000		
Upgrade	Parks infrastructure	Hobart Rivulet Linear Park - Vicinity of									635,000		
Upgrade	Parks Infrastructure	Swan Street Park Refurbishment						400,000			375,000		
Upgrade	Parks Infrastructure	Girrabong Road Playground Stage 1							160,000		160,000		
Upgrade	Parks Infrastructure	Huon Road Uphill	56,000		500,000								
Upgrade	Parks Infrastructure	Water Works Playground Upgrade						350000					
Upgrade	Placemaking	New Town Retail Precinct Upgrade &		1,000,000							2,500,000		
Upgrade	Placemaking	Action 14 - Salamanca Pedestrian Works	1,773,757								2,000,000		
Upgrade	Placemaking	Action 14 - Salamanca Pedestrian Works	500,000								500,000		
Upgrade	Placemaking Placemaking	Action 21 - Collins Court Revitalisation Action 04 - Collins Street / Hobart Rivulet	250,000								505,000		300,000
Upgrade	Placemaking	Action 02 - No 3 - Elizabeth Street Bus	154,167		100,000								200,000
Upgrade Upgrade	Placemaking	APO6 - Campbell Street Upgrade (City	134,107	900,000							1 600 000	900,000	200,000
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	TCA Ground Toilet Block - Building		310,000							5,000,000	710,111	
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	Lower Sandy Bay Playground Toilet						650,000			600,000		
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	Clare St Oval Public Convenience									200,000		
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	Centrepoint - internal refurbishment									150,000		
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	Public Convenience - Annual Allocation	100,000								100,000		
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	West Hobart Oval Public Conveniences							750,000				
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025	Cascade Gardens Public Convenience -							150,000				
Upgrade	Public Toilet Strategy 2015-2025 Queens Domain Program	Long Beach Surf Life Saving Pavilion - Intercity cycleway connect to city via		950,000			950,000	300,000			500,000	950,000	
Upgrade Upgrade	Queens Domain Program	Regatta Grounds Pathway - BoR		350,000	80,000		300,000				350,000	350,000	
Upgrade	Queens Domain Program	Regatta Ground Car Park Upgrade		320,000			344,440				750,000	230,000	
Upgrade	Queens Domain Program	City to Gardens Way							300,000		300,000		
Upgrade	Roads and Environmental Infrastructure	Liverpool Street Embankment									187,500		
Upgrade	Roads and Environmental Infrastructure	Creek Road - New Town to Wilks - Heavy	136,748								150,000		
Upgrade	Roads and Environmental Infrastructure	Montpelier Retreat - Road & FP									950,000		
Upgrade	Roads and Environmental Infrastructure	New Town Road Bridge Upgrade											1500000
Upgrade	Roads and Environmental Infrastructure Roads and Environmental Infrastructure	Bathurst Street Bridge Upgrade (Hobart		3,000,000							2,000,000		1,000,000
Upgrade	Roads and Environmental Infrastructure Roads and Environmental Infrastructure	Cariton Street Upgrade Augusta Road Upgrade		1,500,000							2,000,000		600,000
Upgrade Uperade	Roads and Environmental Infrastructure Sporting Infrastructure	Augusta Road Upgrade South Hobart Badminton Centre		1,500,000							7,000,000		900,000
Upgrade	Sporting Infrastructure	Domain Athletic Centre Lighting							800,000		750,000		
Upgrade	Sporting Infrastructure	Clare St Oval Changerooms							313,000	450,000	450,000		
Upgrade	Sporting Infrastructure	Plaister Stand Lift						450,000			360,000		
Upgrade	Sporting Infrastructure	Queenborough Oval Changerooms and									370,000		
Upgrade	Sporting Infrastructure	Mt Nelson Oval						1,800,000					
Upgrade	Stormwater Reticulation & Rivulets	Liverpool Cres Stormwater Upgrade	50,000								500,000		
Upgrade	Traffic Upgrades	Collins Street Uphill Bicycle Lane									100,000		
Upgrade	Traffic Upgrades	Bicycle Parking Stations in CBD			100,000								
Upgrade	Traffic Upgrades	Lenah Valley Rd - Creek Rd - Left Slip		240,000							360,000		
Upgrade	Walking Infrastructure Wellington Park - One Mountain	City Laneways - Access and Lighting Unnamed / Drops Climber Track	170,000 285,174					450,000			200,000		387,000
Upgrade Upgrade	Wellington Park - One Mountain Wellington Park - One Mountain	MTB Network Plan Implementation	285,174			3,500,000							387,000
Upgrade Upgrade	Wellington Park - One Mountain Wellington Park - One Mountain	Springs Public Facilities Upgrade (Part Of				3,500,000 750.000		750.000					
RENEWAL	-					734,000		790,000					
WITHAL	Roads - Renewals		10.024.475	6.750,000				450,000		-	6,750,000		
	Parks - Renewals		1,786,799	0,720,000				-55,500			450,000		
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	Bushland - Renewals		1,149,596			- 1			247,000				