



LATE ITEMS ORDINARY MEETING

AGENDA

12 SEPTEMBER 2017

Your attendance is required at an Ordinary meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 12 September 2017 commencing at 9.00am for transaction of the enclosed business.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
11 September 2017

Next Meeting Date: 26.09.17

Please note:

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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11 OFFICERS' REPORTS

11.8 2017–19 LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES PROGRAM

File No:	12534
Attachments:	Nil
Authorising Officer:	Scott Waters - General Manager Regional Development and Aviation
Author:	Penelope-Jane Fry - Regional Development Advisor

SUMMARY

Rockhampton Regional Council has the opportunity to apply to the Queensland Government's 2017-19 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program to seek funding towards the cash costs of projects. This report recommends projects for submission.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council submit the following projects to the 2017-19 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program, committing a 40% co-contribution towards each project:

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| 1. Gracemere Sewage Treatment Augmentation Project | \$4.36 million |
| 2. Boundary Road Upgrade Package | \$1.25 million |
| 3. Toonooba Park Upgrade Project | \$0.255 million |
| 4. South Ulam Road Widening Project | \$1.2 million |
| 5. Park Street Drainage Scheme Stage 5 | \$0.75 million |
| 6. McLeod Park Stage 3 | \$0.6 million |
| 7. Sewer Main Relining in Flood Prone Areas | \$2.04 million |

Furthermore, that project prioritisation is indicated by the numerical order above.

COMMENTARY

The \$60 million 2017–19 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (the Fund) opened for applications on the 28th August and will close on 6 October 2017.

The following projects are recommended for submission, in order of recommended priority:

- Gracemere Sewage Treatment Augmentation Project** (\$4.36 million): 2017/18 to 2018/19 works elements to augment the Gracemere Sewage Treatment Plant.
- Boundary Road Upgrade Package** (\$1.25 million): Widening Kidd St to Norman Rd including intersection upgrade with Norman Road.
- Toonooba Park Upgrade Project** (\$0.255 million): Installation of park amenities and facilities including bbq and covered seating.
- South Ulam Road Widening Project** (\$1.2million): Widening works for community road safety.
- Park Street Drainage Scheme Stage 5** (\$750,000): Extension of successful drainage scheme to areas along Tung Yeen St.
- McLeod Park Drainage Scheme Stage 3** (\$600,000): Extension of successful drainage scheme to areas in Hook and Donnollan Streets.
- Sewer Main Relining in Flood Prone Areas** (\$2.04 million): 2017/18 to 2018/19 works to protect against flood water infiltration and associated public health risks.

BACKGROUND

This section provides background in regards to Council's the current round of the Fund and lists the projects Council submitted in the previous round.

1. About the 2017-19 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program

The aim of the Fund is to provide up to 60% in funding assistance to support local governments to deliver key infrastructure projects that:

- meet community needs, contributing to sustainable and liveable communities
- align with state, regional and local priorities
- support economic growth, innovation and community development, increasing job creation for local communities
- contribute to building safe, caring and connected communities, enhancing access to infrastructure and services
- support Queensland communities to be more resilient to natural disasters and reduce future expenditure on asset restoration.

Importantly, this round excludes the Natural Disaster Resilience Program (NDRP). On that basis, Council has received advice from the Department that study projects to inform the design of flood mitigation infrastructure will be ineligible if submitted as projects for funding.

2. The 2016-17 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program

Another point of background is that Rockhampton Regional Council applied to the 2016-17 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program.

Table 1: Projects funded under the previous round (i.e. 2016-17 Program)

Project Name	Project Description	Project Total	Funding
1. Stanwell-Waroula Road Upgrades	Paving and sealing of 4.5 km of gravel road and reconstruction and widening of 2 m of narrow sealed pavement on Stanwell Waroula Rd.	\$1.62 m	\$0.9 m
2. Nine Mile Floodway Reconstruction & Widening	Reconstruction and widening of 1.4km of concrete floodway along Nine Mile Road.	\$1.56 m	\$0.87 m
3. Mount Morgan Streetscape Improvements	To upgrade the Morgan St median and streetscape (between East and Central Streets), in Mount Morgan. (A key project within the wider Mount Morgan Streetscape Program of work.)	\$0.61 M	\$0.348 m
4. South Rockhampton Local Catchment Studies*	This project will develop a new and better flood model for the South Rockhampton local catchment.	\$200,000	\$120,000

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

On 21 September 2016, Council resolved to select the following projects for the previous round of this fund (i.e. the 2016-17 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program):

Table 2: Projects submitted under the previous round (i.e. 2016-17 Program)

Project Name	Project Total	Funding
1. Stanwell-Waroula Road Upgrades	\$1.62	\$0.9 m
2. Artificial Hockey Surface Construction at Parkhurst	\$2.67 m	\$1.07 m
3. Rockhampton CBD Smart Technologies & Working Hub	\$4.54	\$2.27 m
4. Nine Mile Floodway Reconstruction & Widening	\$1.56 m	\$0.87 m
5. Mount Morgan Streetscape Improvements	\$0.61 M	\$0.348 M
6. Rockhampton Music Bowl Upgrade	\$1.00 m	\$0.4
7. Central Park Redevelopment	\$0.445	\$0.267
8. Sewer Main Relining Program	\$1.632 m	\$0.612
9. South Rockhampton Local Catchment Flood Modelling and Assessment	\$0.20 m	\$0.12 m
10. Community Water Supply Backup Generater - Thozet Road WPS	\$0.40 m	\$0.24 m

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Applications to the fund will require a cash co-contribution commitment of at least 40%.

All projects recommended have provisions available for the required co-contributions in the existing 2017/18 and 2018/19 capital budget of the approved 2017/18 Rockhampton Regional Council Budget, with the exception of the Toonooba Park Upgrade Project that is a proposed new project. The co-contribution provisions required for the two drainage scheme project applications are proposed to be sourced from the \$1.5 million allocated to 'Stormwater CP427' in the Capital Budget (line 692). The total of the two co-contributions that would be taken from this budget element is \$0.54 million.

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

Project delivery will require in-kind contributions from Council in the form of staff time.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Every project awarded funding will be required to have a project risk assessment completed and be registered in the projects section of the Rockhampton Regional Council risk register.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

This report relates to Corporate Outcome 1.2 of the 'Regional Infrastructure and Facilities' community expectation associated with the Community theme of the Corporate Plan.

CONCLUSION

Rockhampton Regional Council has the opportunity to seek funding from the Queensland Government by submitting projects to the 2017-19 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program.

15 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

16.5 International Travel to Singapore

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

16.6 Economic Development Opportunities

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16.7 Chief Executive Officer Monthly Report

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16 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

16.5 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TO SINGAPORE

File No: 8308

Attachments:

1. IE Singapore
2. ST Logistics

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Scott Waters - General Manager Regional Development and Aviation

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SUMMARY

Mayor Councillor Margaret Strelow and the General Manager of Regional Development and Aviation recently travelled to Singapore as part of the Australian Government's Ministerial Business Mission. Attendance on the trip was by invitation from the Federal Member for Capricornia and was part of continuing engagement between Australia and Singapore.

The mission also served as continuation from the Mayoral delegation to Singapore in November of 2016.

16.6 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

File No: 8444
Attachments: 1. Peer Review
Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Scott Waters - General Manager Regional Development and Aviation

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SUMMARY

General Manager Regional Development and Aviation presenting an update on Economic Development Opportunities.

16.7 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER MONTHLY REPORT**File No:** 1830**Attachments:** Nil**Authorising Officer:** Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer**Author:** Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

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SUMMARY

Chief Executive Officer presenting monthly report for the period ending Monday 4 September 2017.