# Agenda Council Meeting

Wednesday, 17th June 2020

Commencing at 7.30pm

Council Chamber 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham

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## City of Kingston Special Meeting of Council

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**Notice** is given that a Meeting of Kingston City Council will be held at 7.30pm at Council Chamber, 1230 Nepean Highway, Cheltenham, on Wednesday, 17 June 2020.

#### 1. Apologies

### 2. Foreshadowed Declaration by Councillors, Officers or Contractors of any Conflict of Interest

Note that any Conflicts of Interest need to be formally declared at the start of the meeting and immediately prior to the item being considered – type and nature of interest is required to be disclosed – if disclosed in writing to the CEO prior to the meeting only the type of interest needs to be disclosed prior to the item being considered.

#### 3. City Assets and Environment Reports

#### 4. Confidential Items

Nil

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Agenda Item No: 3.1

# ENDORSEMENT OF APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE GOVERNMENT'S COMMUNITY SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE STIMULUS PROGRAM

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#### **Purpose of Report**

To present to Council the proposed projects for application to the State Government's Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program, as administered by Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV).

#### Disclosure of Officer / Contractor Direct or Indirect Interest

No Council officer/s and/or Contractor/s who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a Conflict of Interest regarding the matter under consideration.

#### OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- 1. Endorse the submission of the following projects as applications to the State Government's Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program:
  - a) Sports Lighting Upgrades at:
    - Bonbeach Reserve Oval 1 and 2;
    - Kingston Heath Hockey Facility, Cheltenham;
    - Heatherton Reserve;
    - Doug Denyer Reserve, Mordialloc;
    - Edithvale Recreation Reserve Baseball:
    - Parkdale Bowls Club;
    - GR Bricker Reserve, Moorabbin;
    - Highett Reserve Oval 3;
    - Keeley Reserve Oval Clayton South; and
    - Clarinda Tennis Club.
  - b) Chadwick Reserve Pavilion Development; and
  - c) Upgrade of the Chelsea Sports Women's Centre Netball Courts;
- 2. Commit to the commencement of works for the endorsed projects within a six-month period after the execution of the funding agreement;
- 3. Commit to providing funding in the 2020/21 Council Budget and Long Term Financial Plan to meet its financial contribution to the endorsed projects; and
- 4. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate with Sport and Recreation Victoria for the purpose of securing funding grants and executing funding agreements for Council's nominated applications to the State Government's Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program.

#### 1. Executive Summary

This report proposes projects for submission to the State Government's Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program (the Program). This new funding program seeks to invest in needed and shovel-ready community sporting projects that will provide economic and sporting outcomes for local communities, and boost Victoria's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The recommended projects have been assessed as strongly aligning against the Program's eligibility criteria. A full listing of all potential project applications is listed in Section 3.3.1 of this report.

This report seeks Council's endorsement of the recommended projects for applications to the Program.

In making these applications, Council is required to commit to contribute funding towards the projects, to commence works within six months following the announcement of funding from the State, and to complete the projects within two years. SRV has advised the announcement of successful projects is expected in July 2020.

#### 2. Background

The Victorian Government is investing \$68 million to build and upgrade community sports facilities across the state. Not only will the investment support local sporting clubs, it will create jobs and boost Victoria's economic recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The \$68 million Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program will support Victoria's economy by working with Local Government Authorities, Alpine Resort Boards and sporting clubs and organisations to fast-track shovel-ready community sports infrastructure projects across Victoria.

Funding may be provided for the construction and/or upgrade of significant community sport and active recreation infrastructure that is ready to commence construction within six (6) months of executing a funding agreement with the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions.

Local councils and Alpine Resort Boards are eligible to apply to the Program with projects they would like to progress.

Each local council or Alpine Resort Board can submit up to three (3) applications requesting up to \$10 million for each application. Applications must be worth a minimum of \$1 million in requested funding. A 10 percent minimum local financial contribution of the funding amount sought is required to be committed and confirmed by LGAs or Alpine Resort Boards, for each application submitted. For example, a grant request of \$1 million should be matched with a contribution of at least \$100,000 from the applicant. The required funding contribution may be more than 10%, depending on the outcome of the assessments of all applications.

The State Government is seeking a quick turnaround for applications, within a three-week period and applications close on the 19 June 2010.

Contributions should be commensurate with the Council's capacity and support for the project. Applicants cannot utilise other State Government funding as part of the minimum financial contribution. Other contributions can include funding from Council, clubs and the Federal Government. Projects with a mix of funding, including confirmed and appropriate financial contributions, will be highly regarded.

The Program's assessment criteria are listed below:

- The project provides suitable local economic stimulus benefits.
- The application demonstrates strong sport and active recreation participation outcomes.
- The application demonstrates strong sport and active recreation participation outcomes for disadvantaged and under-represented communities and cohorts.
- The project scope is clear and is well designed and informed by Universal Design principles and Environmentally Sustainable Design considerations.
- The application demonstrates the project is ready to commence construction within six (6) months and can be completed within two years following the execution of a funding agreement.
- The project is supported by local stakeholders and key organisations that will benefit from the project.

#### 3. Discussion

#### 3.1 Council Plan Alignment

Goal 2 - Our sustainable green environment with accessible open spaces Outcome 2.5 - Provide for a variety of sport and recreation opportunities across Kingston through the Sport and Leisure Strategy

If successful, projects funded under this Program will assist infrastructure developments that provide additional sport and recreation opportunities and assist in the promotion of healthy active lifestyles for the community.

#### 3.2 Consultation/Internal Review

With the proposed projects for submission, Council has previously engaged in various forms and at different levels with the user groups and broader communities. Council officers will continue to work with stakeholders through the design development and construction phases for the projects.

Council officers have met with representatives from Sport and Recreation Victoria to discuss the proposed projects. These proposed projects were viewed as strongly aligned to the Program's sport and recreation outcomes.

#### 3.3 Operation and Strategic Issues

#### 3.3.1 Proposed Applications

Following a review of potential eligible projects in Council's draft 2020/21 budget, the forward capital program and asset management priorities, the following projects are recommended as applications:

Application	Project Title	Details	Total Estimated Cost	Council Contribution (Minimum)	Requested State Contribution (Maximum)
1	Sports Lighting Upgrades	Bonbeach Reserve Oval 1 and 2, Kingston Heath Hockey Facility, Cheltenham, Heatherton Reserve Sports Light, Doug	\$4M	\$0.4M	\$3.6M

		Denyer Reserve, Mordialloc, Edithvale Recreation Reserve – Baseball, Parkdale Bowls Club, GR Bricker Reserve, Moorabbin, Highett Reserve Oval 3, Keeley Reserve - Oval, Clayton and Clarinda Tennis Club			
2	Chadwick Reserve Pavilion	Upgrade of the Chadwick Reserve pavilion, as per design concept design endorsed at the 27 April 2020 Council meeting.	\$4.5M	\$0.45M	\$4.05M
3	Chelsea Sports Women's Centre Netball Courts	Upgrade of the outdoor netball court facilities.	\$4.0M	\$0.4M	\$3.6M

#### 4. Conclusion

Following the review and assessment of potential eligible projects, the projects listed in this report are considered to align well with the funding criteria and are recommended for submission to the State Government's Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program.

#### 4.1 Environmental Implications

Environmental benefits achieved through the proposed projects include energy savings through led lighting and photovoltaic cells, water harvesting and use of products that are produced through a low carbon footprint.

#### 4.2 Social Implications

Applying for this funding highlights Council's continued support for local community sport and recreation organisations, particularly following the COVID-19 pandemic. The projects have a positive impact on health and wellbeing for our community.

The projects will deliver outcomes that support community and sporting activities.

#### 4.3 Resource Implications

Council's 2019/20 budget and Long Term Financial Plan includes provisions to meet costs associated with Council's contribution towards the delivery of proposed projects.

The Program requires Council to match funding ratios up to \$9(State):\$1(Council/Club) basis.

The Program allows for applications to include project management costs to ensure Councils are resourced to deliver upon their commitments. Project management costs have been included as part of the total estimated project cost.

The State reserves the right to negotiate a lower than requested funding amount for submitted applications. Given the announcement of successful projects is expected in July 2020, it is recommended that the Chief Executive Officer is delegated authority to represented Council with any negotiations with the State.

#### 4.4 Legal / Risk Implications

Improving community sports infrastructure improves the safety of participants at these facilities and reduces Council's overall risk.

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