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MAJOR PROJECTS STATUS REPORT – COMMUNITY, SPORT & CULTURAL SERVICES – DEPARTMENT MANAGED

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the status of major projects being undertaken and managed by staff of Community, Sport and Cultural Services Department.

INTRODUCTION:

The following update is provided on current major projects being managed by staff of the Community, Sport and Cultural Services Department. The report covers the following:

Branch	Project
Sport, Recreation & Community Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social and Community Infrastructure Needs Study • Skate Park and BMX Strategy • Cairns Rectangular Stadium Needs Study

Branch	Project
Creative Cairns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cairns Regional Council Public Art Plan 2012 - 2016

Project: **Social and Community Infrastructure Needs Study**

Project Manager: Alice Heather

Project Co-ordinator: Adele Wright

Project Plan Doc No: 3110750

Scope of Works

There are four parts to the study: the first part will focus on a review of current/established infrastructure, and the development of standards of service in relation to current/existing infrastructure. This will include a determination of how current safety assets (CCTV) address community safety needs and expectations.

The second part of the study will focus on a review of proposed or future social infrastructure and will assess the location, the proposed mix of cluster, networks, joint or partnership models, community ownership, and/or social enterprise models in regard to the development of the infrastructure.

The third part of the study will focus on an assessment of Hambledon House Community Centre, Edmonton in regard to identifying the key drivers and issues associated with its present use and location and the identification of drivers or issues associated with any future expansion or move to a different location.

The fourth part of the study will focus on a feasibility study and possible models in relation to the provision of a youth space.

The elements do not necessarily need to be achieved sequentially.

Key Achievements:

The study is now complete

Issues:

- None currently

Future Developments:

- Presentation of report to Council in the form of a Councillor workshop
- Final edit and printing of report following the Councillor workshop

Future Milestones:

- Council workshop of project results – all items pertaining to the Councillor workshop are ready with the workshop date to be confirmed following the upcoming Council elections in April.

Project: **Skate Park and BMX Strategy**

Project Manager: Alice Heather
Project Co-ordinators Adele Wright/Louise Dixon
Project Plan Doc No: to be advised

Aim of the Strategy

The aim of the project is to develop a Skate and BMX Strategy for the region. This Strategy will contain practical guidelines and recommendations, which provide strategic direction on the appropriate location, development, management, maintenance and activation of new and existing skate and BMX facilities in the region.

In providing these facilities, the aim is to maximise their usability, optimise their diversity, and increase their ability to cater for varying skill levels and styles. Such facilities should increase access and use of people from different multicultural and indigenous backgrounds, different age groups, and would be accessible to young women.

The Strategy will also build awareness of skate, BMX and related activities as legitimate, positive recreational activities and will encourage positive perceptions of youth, skate and BMX facilities and their user groups.

The Strategy will establish criteria for facilities that are well located, safe and accessible and which provide inclusive, diverse spaces that are capable of supporting a wide range of activities and users. Co-location or the location of these facilities adjacent to other appropriate uses or facilities is desirable.

The Strategy will consider input from all members of the community, including users, spectators, general park users and neighbours.

Key Achievements:

- Preparation of project documentation refining scope of work
- Development of the communication and community engagement plan
- Completion and roll out of Social Media community engagement tool for communication purposes
- School based facility user engagement completed
- Facility based (skate park and BMX track) user engagement completed prior to original date of end January 2012
- All skate park and BMX track petitioners contacted and informed of the project
- Concrete Facility audit, including condition assessment and expenditure/maintenance audit completed prior to original date of end February 2012

Issues:

None currently

Future Milestones:

- Literature review of design standards and best practice underway and to be completed
- Dirt jumps/BMX facility audit including condition assessment and expenditure/maintenance audit to be completed
- Focus group/key stakeholder group to be formed and feedback fed into findings by end March 2012
- Gap analysis, needs assessment and draft hierarchy of facilities/ standards of service circulated April 2012
- Finalised draft strategy circulated May 2012

Project: **Cairns Rectangular Stadium Needs Study**

Project Manager: Alice Heather

Project Coordinator: Louise Dixon

Project Plan Doc No: 2783846

Scope of Works:

The study will comprise two parts with the first part focusing on establishing the need for a stadium and, if the need is demonstrated, articulating the scope of that stadium. The second part of the study will focus on the delivery of the stadium in accordance with the established need.

Key Achievements:

- Council appointed Coffey Sport & Leisure to undertake the project, both parts 1 and 2.
- Part 1 completed and adopted at Council's Ordinary meeting 23 November, ie:
 - *agrees in principle with the Study's conclusion that there is sufficient demand to support investment in the initial capital and ongoing operations of the Scenario B, Option 2 development option (broadly, a 20,000 capacity stadium, 10,000 seat and 10,000 standing) based on the identified potential for broader economic and social benefits;*
 - *agrees to investigate further the basis on which the outcomes of Scenario B, Option 2 could be delivered by undertaking the Cairns Rectangular Pitch Stadium Development Study;*
- Part 2 underway with refinement of sites for investigation, technical information relating to each site and site selection criteria and weightings established for review by Project Team.

Issues:

- None currently.

Milestones:

Part 2 – Cairns Rectangular Pitch Stadium Development Study

- Assessment and refinement of proposed sites to ascertain top two sites.
- Prepare draft report outlining:
 - concept plan,
 - stadium development (delivery plan, staging and triggers),
 - refinement of capital cost estimates,
 - management model and ownership,
 - updated business plan for the operation of the stadium including risk analysis,
 - updated and refined economic impact assessment,
 - implementation plan outlining actions, responsibility, resourcing and timelines,
- Councillor and Key Stakeholder Reference Group workshops (separate) with Coffey, detailed overview of draft report.

- Community and stakeholder consultation on draft report (2 weeks)
- Finalisation of report
- Put to Council meeting for adoption (TBC, estimated May 2012)

Financial Data:

Coffey Commercial Advisory - Part 1	\$68,410
<i>Coffey Commercial Advisory - Part 2 *</i>	\$149,016
Advertising and promotion (estimated)	\$6,000
Expected project cost	\$223,426

Project: **Cairns Regional Council Public Art Plan 2012 - 2016**

Project Manager: Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAG)

Project Coordinator: Lesley Buckley, Arts & Cultural Planning Development Officer

Project Plan Doc No: 3381239

Scope of Works: The intention of the Public Art Plan is to:

- Establish a strategic plan of action that will drive and deliver key outcomes and strategies identified in Councils
- Build a framework for the commissioning of public art in the Cairns region over the next five years, including processes and resourcing
- Outline geographical priorities for public art throughout the region, according to Council's suburban centre improvement projects and other planned developments, and
- Provide direction for Council's Public Art Advisory Group (PAAG) and inform the wider community of the group's role

Key Achievements:

- Final draft endorsed by PAAG
- Final draft endorsed by Council
- A Community Engagement and Communication Strategy is being implemented

Issues:

There are no issues concerning the development of the Plan

Future Developments:

- The endorsed final draft will be presented to Council in February 2012
- The endorsed final draft will be advertised for public comment in February 2012

Future Milestones:

- Final draft endorsed by Community
- Public Art Plan Adopted by Council

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