

ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2025(02)**18 MARCH 2025**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Pye Augustine (Chairperson); Councillors Marnie Doyle (Deputy Chairperson), Mayor Teresa Harding, Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic, Jacob Madsen, Andrew Antonioli (via teams), David Martin and Jim Madden

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:

Nil

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Officer (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), Manager, Marketing and Promotions (Carly Gregory), General Manager Asset and Infrastructure Services (Seren McKenzie), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), Chief of Staff – Office of the Mayor (Melissa Fitzgerald), Precinct Director – Nicholas Street Precinct (James Hepburn), Precinct Governance Manager – Nicholas Street Precinct (Mitchell Grant), Manager Media Communications and Engagement (Mark Strong), Senior Media Officer (Darrell Giles) Theatre Technician (Harrison Cate) and Theatre Technician (Tom Haag)

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Pye Augustine (Chairperson) invited Councillor Marnie Doyle (Deputy Chairperson) to deliver the Acknowledgement of Country

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

In accordance with section 150EM of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic informed the meeting that she has a prescribed conflict of interest in Item 2 titled Event Sponsorship - 2025 Ipswich Cup.

The nature of the prescribed conflict of interest is that Deputy Mayor Jonic is a member of the executive, the Treasurer of the Ipswich Turf Club Incorporated.

Deputy Mayor Jonic advised that she will leave the meeting room (including any area set aside for the public) while this matter is being discussed and voted on.

In accordance with section 150EQ of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic informed the meeting that she has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 3 titled 2025 Gulf Western Oil Winternationals - Event Sponsorship.

The nature of the interest is that Deputy Mayor Jonic's family holds a life family pass to the Willowbank Raceway.

Councillor Nicole Jonic invited the other councillors to determine if she can continue to participate in the decision process.

It was moved by Councillor Pye Augustine and seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle that Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter because there is no personal or financial benefit to the councillor and therefore a reasonable person would trust that the final decision is made in the public interest.

The eligible councillors present at the meeting decided that Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Harding

Madsen

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

Councillor Jonic did not take part in the vote on this matter.

The motion was put and carried.

PRESENTATION – TAFE QUEENSLAND IN THE IPSWICH REGION

Due to time constraints the presentation from Kate Venables, the General Manager South West Region of TAFE Queensland will be made to a future meeting regarding TAFE Queensland in the Ipswich Region.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2025(01) OF 18 FEBRUARY 2025**

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the minutes of the Economic and Cultural Development Committee held on 18 February 2025 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic left the meeting at 12.36 pm due to a previously declared interest in Item 2.

2. **EVENT SPONSORSHIP - 2025 IPSWICH CUP**

This is a report concerning an application for Event Sponsorship by the Ipswich Turf Club, requesting financial support of the Ipswich Cup, to be held on Saturday 21 June 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor David Martin:

That Ipswich Turf Club receives \$20,000 excl. GST financial support for the Ipswich Cup 2025.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Harding

Madsen

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

All Councillors except Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic were present when the vote was taken.

The motion was put and carried.

Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic returned to the meeting at 12.39 pm.

*3. 2025 GULF WESTERN OIL WINTERNATIONALS - EVENT SPONSORSHIP

This is a report concerning an application for Event Sponsorship by Willowbank Raceway Incorporated, requesting financial support of the 2025 Gulf Western Oil Winternationals, to be held from Thursday 5 June to Sunday 8 June 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That Willowbank Raceway Incorporated receives \$35,000 excl. GST financial support for the 2025 Gulf Western Oil Winternationals.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

4. NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT - FEBRUARY 2025 NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT PROJECT CONTROL GROUP

This is a report concerning the February 2025 Nicholas Street Precinct Project Control Group meeting focussing on the status of the leasing program and associated developments for the retail component of the Nicholas Street Precinct redevelopment.

“The attachment/s to this report are confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.”

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

That the February 2025 Nicholas Street Precinct Project Control Group Report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Harding

Jonic

Madsen

Antoniolli

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

MATTERS ARISING

Nil

QUESTIONS / GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS AND FORMAL MATTERS

The meeting commenced at 12.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 12.47 pm.
