

ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2026(06)**19 MAY 2026**

REPORT

COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Pye Augustine (Chairperson); Councillors Marnie Doyle (Deputy Chairperson), Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic, Jacob Madsen (via audio-link), David Martin and Jim Madden

COUNCILLOR'S APOLOGIES:

Mayor Teresa Harding and Councillor Andrew Antonioli

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Services (Sonia Cooper), General Manager Community, Cultural and Economic Development (Ben Pole), General Manager Asset and Infrastructure Services (Seren McKenzie), General Manager Planning and Regulatory Services (Brett Davey), General Manager Corporate Services (Matt Smith), Manager Marketing and Promotions (Carly Gregory), Senior Project Manager – Retail Development (Fiona McDougall), Manager Media, Communications and Engagement (Mark Strong), Coordinator Communications (Lucy Stone) and Technical Services Officer (Harrison Cate)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE**RECOMMENDATION**

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor David Martin:

That a leave of absence be granted for Mayor Teresa Harding for the Economic and Cultural Development Committee of 19 May 2026.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Jonic

Madsen

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

LEAVE OF ABSENCERECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Pye Augustine:

Seconded by Councillor David Martin:

That a leave of absence be granted for Councillor Andrew Antonioli for the Economic and Cultural Development Committee.

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Augustine

Nil

Doyle

Jonic

Madsen

Martin

Madden

The motion was put and carried.

WELCOME TO COUNTRY OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

Nil

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE NO. 2026(05) OF 21 APRIL 2026

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Nicole Jonic:

That the minutes of the Economic and Cultural Development Committee held on 21 April 2026 be confirmed.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Jonic

Madsen

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

OFFICERS' REPORTS**2. EVENT SPONSORSHIP - 2026 GULF WESTERN OIL WINTERNATIONALS**

This is a report concerning an Event Sponsorship application by Willowbank Raceway Incorporated, for \$35,000 financial support of the Gulf Western Oil Winternationals, to be held from Thursday 4 June to Sunday 7 June 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

- A. That Willowbank Raceway Incorporated receives \$25,000 excl. GST financial support for the 2026 Gulf Western Oil Winternationals**
- B. That Council undertake an Event Impact Report for the 2026 Gulf Western Oil Winternationals as in-kind support (valued at \$10,997.50 ex GST).**

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:

Augustine

Doyle

Jonic

Madsen

Martin

Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Nil

The motion was put and carried.

3. EVENT SPONSORSHIP - LET'S GO IPSWICH CARAVAN & RV EXPO

This is a report concerning an Event Sponsorship application by Caravan Trade & Industries Association of Queensland (Caravanning Queensland) for \$15,000

financial support of the Let's Go Ipswich Caravan & RV Expo to be held 28-30 August 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

- A. That Caravan Trade & Industries Association of Queensland (Caravanning Queensland) receives \$4,500 excl GST financial support for the Let's Go Ipswich Caravan & RV Expo**
- B. That Council undertake an Event Impact Report for the 2026 Let's Go Ipswich Caravan & RV Expo as in-kind support (valued at \$9,500 excl. GST)**

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Councillors:

Councillors:

Augustine

Nil

Doyle

Jonic

Madsen

Martin

Madden

The motion was put and carried.

4. QUARTERLY EVENT SPONSORSHIP AND TICKET ALLOCATION REPORT

This is a report concerning event sponsorship approved in the period of 1 January to 31 March 2026 as required under the Event Sponsorship Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved by Councillor David Martin:

Seconded by Councillor Marnie Doyle:

- A. That Council receive and note the following event sponsorship allocations during the 1 January to 31 March 2026 period:**

Event Sponsorship Category 2 over \$15,000 (excl GST) approved by Council:

- **V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd as trustee for the Avesco Unit Trust - cash support of \$50,000 (excl GST) for the 2026 Century Batteries Ipswich Super 440.**
- **Spartan AUS 3.0 Pty Ltd - cash support of \$50,000 (excl GST) for the 2026 OCR World Championships and Spartan Trifecta Weekend and the 2027 and 2028 Spartan Trifecta Weekends.**

- Ipswich Turf Club - cash support of \$25,000 (excl GST) for the 2026 Ipswich Cup
- B. That Council receive and note the following event sponsorship ticket allocations made during the 1 January 2025 to 31 March 2025 period:**
- 2026 CMC Rocks, 35 tickets for corporate hospitality for advocacy and capacity building purposes
- C. That Council receive and note the following event impact study support was confirmed during the 1 January to 31 March 2026 period:**
- 2026 Century Batteries Ipswich Super 440, Friday 21 – Sunday 23 August, Queensland Raceway

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:
Augustine
Doyle
Jonic
Madsen
Martin
Madden

NEGATIVE

Councillors:
Nil

The motion was put and carried.

5. NICHOLAS STREET PRECINCT APRIL 2026 REDEVELOPMENT PROGRESS REPORT

This is a report concerning the April 2026 Nicholas Street Precinct (NSP) Redevelopment Progress Report focussing on the status of the leasing program and the planning, development, delivery and ongoing management of the NSP.

“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 Marnie Doyle:
Seconded by Councillor Jim Madden:

That the April 2026 Nicholas Street Precinct Redevelopment Progress Report be received and the contents noted.

AFFIRMATIVE

Councillors:
Augustine
Doyle

NEGATIVE

Councillors:
Nil

Jonic
Madsen
Martin
Madden

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 10.30 am.

The meeting closed at 10.53 am.
