

## 10.4.5 – ADDENDUM TO ITEM 10.4.5 - Federal Grant Applications - Shire Election Advocacy Projects (SJ4117)

<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Community Project Specialist
<b>Senior Officer:</b>	Director Community Engagement
<b>Disclosure of Officers Interest:</b>	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> .

### Background

Since publishing the Officer's report as part of the 19 August 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda, it has been identified that obtaining the costings and concept plan required for the submission of a grant application to the Thriving Suburbs Program for the Serpentine Jarrahdale Recreation Centre (SJCRC) by 26 August 2024, is not attainable.

The SJCRC Concept Design and Briggs Park Masterplan project is scheduled for completion by 30 September 2024 to enable undertaking Shire advocacy prior to upcoming state and federal elections.

Following the announcement of the Thriving Suburbs Funding Program and the requirement for any advocacy projects to be submitted via federal funding programs, a decision was made to fast track the project to attempt to have the data and information available to undertake a suitable application.

The consultants working on the project have attempted to undertake works ahead of schedule but are unable to meet the timeframes.

The Thriving Suburbs Funding Program requires development of a full business case and cost benefit analysis and for projects to be ready for procurement for design and construction following successful announcements. The SJCRC will not be ready in the required time frame for the first round of funding.

Further advice from the consultant is that we continue the work and complete the business case and cost benefit analysis once the SJCRC Concept Plan and Briggs Park Masterplan is complete, and all data is available, and then undertake the application to future state and federal government programs, including the 2025 round of Thriving Suburbs or the urban Precincts and Partnerships Program.

This timeframe may also provide an opportunity to secure State Government funding towards the SJCRC project prior to submitting an application for Federal funding. This would negate the need for the Shire to commit to taking loan funds as the matching contribution.

The Shire is continuing to work with the consultants to submit the application to this round of Thriving Suburbs for Stage 1B (BMX) of Keirnan Park. Given this, Officers are recommending that the BMX project be added to the Shire's advocacy priorities.

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In considering this advice an Alternative Officer Recommendation is included as part of this addendum.

**Voting Requirements:** Simple Majority

### **Alternative Officer Recommendation**

**That Council:**

- 1. ENDORSES the submission of two Shire applications to the following Federal Government funding programs:**
  - **Thriving Suburbs Program (KPRSP Stage 1B (BMX))**
  - **urban Precincts and Partnerships Program (uPPP), joint application to Stream Two (KPRSP Stage 1B (BMX) and Stage 1C) or SJCRC and Briggs Park Masterplan, depending on Thriving Suburbs Grant outcomes.**
- 2. NOTES the over expenditure of \$120,000 for the preparation of 2 Shire applications outlined in point 1 and a future application to be confirmed on the completion of the SJCRC and Briggs Park Masterplan Project.**
- 3. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer find the savings to fund this over budget expenditure in the first quarter Finance and Costing Review.**
- 4. ENDORSES the submission of a Shire application to the Future 2025 round of Thriving Suburbs Program (SJCRC expansion).**
- 5. RESOLVES to add KPRSP Stage 1B (BMX) to the Shire's list of advocacy priorities for the 2025 State and Federal elections.**