

ALTERNATE MOTION 2 BY COUNCILLOR MULCAHY

ITEM NUMBER: CSF242
ITEM TITLE: ALBANY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: 2016 AGRICULTURAL SHOW AND BUSINESS CASE FUNDING APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT

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VOTING REQUIREMENT: ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

THAT Council:

- (1) ENDORSE** supporting the Albany Agricultural Society for the 2016 Agricultural Show through:
 - a. Direct Support (Cash Sponsorship) of Nil; and**
 - b. Indirect Support:**
 - i. External Contract Support, up to \$20,000; and**
 - ii. In-kind Support, up to \$30,000.**
- (2) AUTHORISE** the Chief Executive Officer to issue \$8,000 towards the cost of the Albany Agricultural Society's preparation of a business case for the purposes of a National Stronger Regions Funding Application.
- (3) NOTE:**
 - a. Albany Agricultural Society Support for the 2016 Agricultural Show will be ratified as part of the 2016-2017 Budget process;**
 - b. Albany Agricultural Society Support for the 2016 Agricultural Show will be subject to a Service Agreement inclusive of clauses for damage to property and turf remediation;**
 - c. Income forgone through Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre and Centennial Park West Playing Fields being unavailable for use during the 2016 Agricultural Show period will be ratified as part of the 2016-2017 Budget process; and**
 - d. City financial support for the Albany Agricultural Society's preparation of a business case for the purposes of a National Stronger Regions Funding Application will be issued from the 2015-2016 operating budget.**

Councillor's Reason:

The City has made a significant effort to support the AAS through the Centennial Park redevelopment project and has made a further commitment of the future of the AAS through the Deed of Agreement.

The 2016 Show offers the AAS the opportunity to modify its program or to consider a year of recess while the Centennial Park site is finalised.

The proposal within this Alternate Motion is reasonable and represents a fair and equitable arrangement between the City and the AAS.

Officer's Comment:

The AAS have indicated that all reasonable alternatives for the 2016 Show have been explored.

AAS budget forecasts supplied indicate the 2016 Show (and AAS recurrent operations) may incur a substantial deficit without additional financial support. The AAS may choose not to proceed with the 2016 Show in the absence of additional financial support.