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Committee Secretary
The Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Via email: rrat.sen@aph.gov.au

Dear Committee Secretary

Inquiry Into Australia's Preparedness to host Commonwealth, Olympic and Paralympic Games (Brisbane, QLD)

Further to our previous submission to the Senate on the above Inquiry, dated 22 May 2023, the Council of the City of Gold Coast (City), wishes to provide additional information pertinent to this Inquiry.

Following the Public Hearing yesterday in Brisbane and commentary provided therein with regard to the Brisbane 2032 Infrastructure Review headed by Mr Graham Quirk, it is prudent that the City provides the Senate with a copy of our submission into the *Infrastructure Review* that was submitted to the Hon. Grace Grace earlier this year.

The City has stressed to the State Government on many occasions the billions of dollars that can be saved by utilising existing permanent venues, not only on the Gold Coast, but throughout South-East Queensland and beyond. As cited in today's Hearing, the 2032 Games which was submitted and awarded as a 'Regional' Bid, has become the 'Brisbane Games', an opinion shared by our City.

The potential social and economic benefit that comes with a worldclass brand like the *Olympic and Paralympic Games* must be taken seriously and planned for with precision. We are not only showcasing Australia to the world; we need to ensure we reap the benefits in doing so with lasting legacy well beyond the Games for all of Queensland, not just Brisbane city.

Following on from the above and as a specific example that the Senate touched on at the Hearing, I emphasise the debate over the use of a temporary 'drop-in swimming pool'. The City of Gold Coast proposed that our existing worldclass Aquatic Centre, regularly utilised by Swimming Australia and their elite athletes, with a proven track record of successfully hosting international and national championships, including the swimming and diving components of the 2018 Commonwealth Games, could be utilised as an optional venue and is, in fact, stated as the 'official alternative' within the Bid Candidature.

It appears this offer has been completely ignored. Where is the legacy for athletes in a temporary 'drop-in swimming pool'? As the attached submission emphasises, City of Gold Coast will invest further in the Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, including installation of a roof, if required.

In addressing Mr Coates' evidence and commentary today when he answered questions in relation to usage of additional venues on the Gold Coast (specifically the Carrara Stadium), Mr Coates spoke to the requirement for athletes to be in close proximity to their respective Villages. We assume that Mr Coates was suggesting that additional athletes could not be housed in the current proposed athlete village in Robina. The City challenges this opinion and has advised that as an evolving city and prominent tourist destination, we have plenty of capacity to house as many additional athletes as necessary through our vast accommodation offerings, existing and planned by 2032. Alternative options have been provided to the State Government by the City which yet again, have not been explored.

With regard to the *Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Arrangements Amendment Bill 2024*, the City, as requested, submitted its feedback on the Bill to the State Government, with most of our feedback incorporated into the draft amendment to the bill. In addition, I followed up with a further request for an amendment to include the Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast Mayors on the Board of the Brisbane 2032 Organising Committee. I enclose a copy, along with a separate letter written to the Premier, for the Senate's reference.

Typically, the City has again been completely ignored when seeking to be involved in any decision-making forum, despite being a Co-Host City. The Games Delivery Partners, including Brisbane City and Sunshine Coast Councils, share a collaborative responsibility in the planning, preparation and delivery of the 2032 Games. The City has made a commitment and significant contribution to the Games through our *Delivery Partner Guarantee Deed* and it is imperative that the City be afforded the appropriate stakeholder status.

Of note, a submission by the Australian Olympic Committee requesting amendment to the Bill to ensure any President of the Australian Olympic Committee and any honorary life President of the Australian Olympic Committee hold a position on the board was accepted and included in the draft amendments tabled at Parliament yesterday.

As a City, we want to unite and work together with all levels of government and partners to ensure we plan and deliver the best Games on record, but importantly, ensuring we secure a lasting benefit for the Queensland communities.

I trust the above information is useful.

Yours sincerely

TOM TATE MAYOR



Attachment 1 – Gold Coast Aquatic Centre Concept Seating Capacity and Overlay Plan



Games Mode seat capacity: 15,050





#### Attachment 2 - Gold Coast Sport Precinct Concept Master Plan

#### CONCEPT MASTER PLAN

#### **LEGEND**

- POTENTIAL FUTURE ROAD EXPANSION TO IMPROVE ACCESS AND EGRESS
- NEW VEHICLE ACCESS SOUTH ENTRY TO NEW FACILITIES AND STADIUM HAULAGE ROUTE BRIDGES OVER HAVE SUFFICIENT HIGH VEHICLE CLEARANCE
- 3 EXISTING INDOOR COURTS
- MEW INDOOR COURTS X 8 WITH SHOW COURT OVERLAY & INCITINACTABLE SEATING
- COMMERCIAL AND ALLIED HEALTH EXPOSURE TO MAINROAD FRONTAGE
- 6 SHARED USED HIGH PERFORMANCE FACILITY
- 7 DIRECT ACCESS BETWEEN INDOOR FACILITIES AND THE STADIUM.
- (8) EXISTING GOLD COAST SUNS HIGH PERFORMANCE FACILITY
- 9 EXPANSION OF GOLD COAST SUNS HIGH PERFROMANCE FACILITY
- 10 HIGH PERFORMANCE TRAINING OVALS NORTH OVAL HAS RECTANGULAR FIELD OVERLAY
- SOUTHERN HIGH PERFORMANCE FACILITY WITH ACCESS TO MAIN SITE THROUGH DIRECT OVERPASS ACCESS
- 12 STADIUM EVENT PLAZA / SPACE FOR GATHERINGS WITH BIG SCREEN OPTIONS AND DINING | CORPORATE FACILITIES
- 3 STADIUM GRANDSTAND EXPANSION TO INCREASE SEATING CAPACITY
- (14) COMBINED PRECINCT MAINTENANCE FACILITY
- HARD SURFACE OPEN SPACE FOR CAR PARKING, STAGE SETDOWN, ETC
- (16) CENTRAL COMMUNITY PLAZA
- 17) MALE & FEMALE CHANGING FACILITIES
- (18) TRANSIT NODE NORTH
- 19 TRANSIT NODE SOUTH
- NEW PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER NERANG-BROADBEACH ROAD. DIRECT AERIAL ACCESS INTO INDOOR FACILITIES AND THE STADIUM
- (21) OVERFLOW PARKING AREA



SCALE 1:3000 @ A1 0m 200m 400m 600m

DRAFT - FOR DISCUSSION

#### Attachment 3 – Letter of support Paddle Australia



Paddle Australia Limited PO Box 6805 Silverwater NSW 2128

16 February 2024

The Hon Grace Grace, MP
Minister for State Development and Infrastructure,
Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Racing
1 William Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

Dear Minister,

Olympic and Paralympic Games Brisbane 2032 Infrastructure Review – Support for City of Gold Coast venue submission

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input to the Olympic and Paralympic Games Brisbane 2032 (the Games) Infrastructure Review. Paddle Australia enjoys strong ties with the Gold Coast, with the National Centre of Excellence for our Canoe Sprint Program having been based at Pizzey Park since 1989.

City of Gold Coast is aware that Paddle Australia has formally requested the examination of potential alternate venues for Olympic and Paralympic Flatwater competitions for Brisbane 2032, with the key criteria being a 2000m flatwater course in Southeast Queensland suitable for both Rowing and Para Rowing, Canoe Sprint and Paracanoe. Paddle Australia is committed to a legacy for both our sport and the local community.

In late 2023, a report was handed down by the independent Gateway Review Panel, tasked by the Olympic and Paralympic Infrastructure Office (OPIO) within Queensland State Government to establish project viability for the venue proposed in the bid, the Wyaralong Flatwater Centre (WFC), as well as providing any recommendations to the Project Control Group and Executive Steering Committee as required. The report, issued to all project stakeholders, identified several strategic challenges that are still to be addressed for the WFC.

These factors caused the Gateway Review Panel to provide recommendations to OPIO to re-evaluate some of the assumptions that led to the WFC being the proposed Games venue for both sports, and that alternative locations should be more thoroughly assessed prior to any funding decision being made.

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Recently, World Rowing, the International Canoe Federation, Rowing Australia, Paddle Australia, Rowing Queensland and Paddle Queensland have jointly written to the Brisbane Organising Committee requesting the examination of potential alternate Olympic and Paralympic Flatwater venues for Brisbane 2032.

Separately, Paddle Australia is also in discussions with the City of Gold Coast regarding the development of an additional international training and competition facility at Oxenford on the Gold Coast.

If a 2000m flatwater venue shared between Canoe Sprint and Rowing cannot be identified in Southeast Queensland, Paddle Australia would be very supportive of this Oxenford venue being used for the Sprint Canoe and Paracanoe competitions at the Games. The venue offers a significant legacy for the local, national, and international Paddle community. The utilisation of the facility will link well with key review criteria including value for money, fit-for-purpose, and deliverability.

This is a paddling sport specific venue that will be highly utilised not only by members of Paddle Australia, but also other sporting and community groups, local residents, and intrastate, interstate and international visitors in the years leading up to the Games, as a training and competition venue.

I would stress however that, at this stage, the International Canoe Federation and Paddle Australia is committed to working with World Rowing and Rowing Australia in trying to identify an cost effective 2000m venue in South East Queensland that will not only deliver outstanding Olympic and Paralympic competitions, but will also provide a legacy for both sports and the broader community for many years to come.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Jones Chief Executive Officer Paddle Australia

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#### Attachment 4 - Letter of support Skate Australia





The Hon. Grace Grace, MP
Minister for State Development and Infrastructure, Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Racing
1 William Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

Dear Minister

### Olympic and Paralympic Games Brisbane 2032 Infrastructure Review – Support for City of Gold Coast venue submission

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments towards the Olympic and Paralympic Games Brisbane 2032 (the Games) Infrastructure Review. Skate Australia is strongly affiliated with the Gold Coast, having based its National High-Performance Program on the Gold Coast since 2019. Tokyo 2020 Men's Park Skateboard Gold Medallist Keegan Palmer, X Games Women's Street Skateboard Gold Medallist Chloe Covell and Arisa Trew, the first female to land a 720 in competition all grew up skating the local parks on the Gold Coast.

Since the program's early days, when the sport took a small team to Tokyo within an Olympic cycle, Skateboard now has more than 30 athletes on its Olympic preparation squad, with a number of these judged as Podium Potential for Paris and many on the development pathway towards medals in LA. Despite being ranked in the top 5 countries, Australia has no international-level skate facilities and currently conducts its HP Training activities at a Public Park on the Gold Coast. Athletes must personally invest to travel to the Middle East, USA and Europe to seek adequate training facilities to top up their preparations.

The City of Gold Coast has expressed a strong desire to continue this relationship as the sport of skating links well with the Gold Coast lifestyle. It is anticipated that skate will continue to be an Olympic sport in 2032, with skate being in the competition program for Tokyo 2020. It is scheduled to be at both Paris 2024 and Los Angeles 2028 and is likely to see an expansion of disciplines with the inclusion of Vert and Para from LA onwards. Skate Australia has been working with the Australian Sports Commission, AUS Cycling, Queensland Academy of Sport and the City of Gold Coast to develop an Action Sports Hub on the Gold Coast as it is deemed the most appropriate location in Australia for our needs. As such, Skate Australia highly supports the Gold Coast hosting the Skate Competition for the Games. Utilising existing and planned infrastructure will support key Review criteria, including value for money, fit-for-purpose, deliverability, and community legacy.

Yours faithfully

Dr Caitlin Honey Chief Executive Officer



The Hon. Grace Grace, MP
Minister for State Development and Infrastructure, Minister for Industrial Relations and
Minister for Racing
1 William Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

Dear Minister

#### Olympic and Paralympic Games Brisbane 2032 Infrastructure Review

The Council of the City of Gold Coast (Council) welcomes the opportunity to provide comment on the 60-day review of the Olympic and Paralympic Games Brisbane 2032 (the Games) venue Master Plan currently underway. Due to the upcoming Election and the City in caretaker period, the Mayor has requested that I write to you on behalf of the Council.

Council recognises the value international events such as the Olympic and Paralympic Games bring to our region, including the opportunity to fast-track investment and delivery of key infrastructure projects. The Council also recognises the significant opportunity presented by the Games to profile our region on the world stage, providing enhanced cultural, social, and economic benefits for our city and region alike.

#### **Existing and Planned Facilities**

It is the Council's view that we must balance the opportunity presented by the Games with a responsibility to ensure our investment is prudent and responsible, sustainable and cognisant of the rising costs of living, procurement inflation costs and supply chain issues in the building sector throughout the world. Given these constraints, over \$5bn in financial savings to the Games program could be achieved through exploiting existing Gold Coast infrastructure and utilising the planned initiatives the Gold Coast currently has underway.

In particular, the Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, Heritage Bank Stadium, RACV Royal Pines Golf Course, or other suitable Gold Coast golf courses including Sanctuary Cove and the Grand, our BMX freestyle and skateboarding facilities and the Gold Coast Hockey Centre, are all world class facilities that have successfully hosted International and National events. These facilities are not, at present, being utilised as part of the Games program but can provide an immediate and appropriate solution for delivering the Games, at no additional cost to the Queensland Government.

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With the Gold Coast expected to experience the largest population growth in Queensland and an extra 500,000 people expected to call it home by 2046, the Council is actively planning for this growth. Therefore, in addition to existing community and sporting facilities outlined above, we are focused on delivering community facilities to accommodate this growth and ensure we are supporting social, community, sporting and cultural outcomes for our residents and visitors alike reinforcing the Council's position that these assets should be planned and delivered for the ultimate purpose of benefitting the Gold Coast community.

Of particular relevance to the Games program, the Council is looking to construct a 12,000-seat multipurpose arena, with plans well advanced. This facility once constructed could be utilised as part of the Games, at no cost to the Queensland Government and decreasing the impost on Queensland taxpayers.

In addition to the Council and State-owned facilities within the city, we also have existing accommodation facilities such as the RACV Royal Pines Resort, our vast suite of existing hotel accommodation and multiple approved development applications for major accommodation opportunities that could be considered as satellite athlete village options. This would be completely in keeping with the "new norms" espoused by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and we note of course that a similar approach was successfully used by both the AFL and NRL when they established hubs on the Gold Coast during the Covid pandemic.

The independent review of the infrastructure identified within the South-East Queensland Bid is welcomed by the City and is expected to support the sentiments from the IOC on the quality of our facilities within the city.

#### **Candidature Commitments**

Council would also seek the Review Panel's consideration of our Candidature commitments to the IOC and importantly, the legacy aspirations espoused through *Elevate 2042, which* commits us to delivering a sustainable Games that minimises our carbon footprint. AOC President, Mr Ian Chesterman AM has also indicated a strong preference for the use of existing facilities in his recent media statements. Los Angeles 2028 and Paris 2024 have adopted a similar approach with no new venues being built for Los Angeles and only one venue constructed for Paris 2024. Through the use of the Gold Coast's existing assets outlined and proposed above, we as a region would be well placed to emulate this positive precedent set by our fellow host cities.

To further support our candidature commitments for the Games, the Council is prepared to fund, or at least co-fund depending on precise requirements, any required capital improvements for Gold Coast facilities that are confirmed for the Games sport competition program (subject to local community return on investment).

Council also notes that some sports already allocated to the Gold Coast, for example judo and weightlifting, might be prime candidates to move to other cities in South East Queensland to ensure, to the fullest extent possible, an equitable spread of Games events.

As evident through the sentiments in this letter, the Council has bold ambitions for its contribution to the Games as we advocate for permanent legacy outcomes that will enhance, accelerate and improve the Gold Coast and the region well beyond 2032 and we remain committed to supporting our Partners to ensure we host the best Olympic and Paralympic Games to date in 2032.

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Lastly (and whilst not within the scope of the review), the Council would also like to discuss opportunities for cricket, skate and surfing (should they be included within the Program in the future), as we believe that the Gold Coast has the existing infrastructure, sites and profile that lends itself to hosting these events including complying with delivery criteria; being value for money, fit-for-purpose, deliverability, and community legacy.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission on the review and Council would welcome the opportunity to discuss the proposals in this correspondence with you further.

Yours faithfully

Tim Baker
Chief Executive Officer
Council of the City of Gold Coast

cc Graham Fraine, Director-General, Department of State Development and Infrastructure.

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11 April 2024 Our ref: MS2#A99147721

Hon. Steven Miles MP Premier PO Box 15185 CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Premier -

# DRAFT BRISBANE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES ARRANGEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL 2024

I am writing to request that in addition to the correspondence previously sent from the City of Gold Coast (City) providing feedback on the draft *Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Amendment Bill 2024* (draft Bill) further amendments to the Act be made as outlined below.

Under Part 3 Board of Directors, Division 2 Composition, Section 17 Composition of the Act, sub-paragraph (1) (k)

The endorsed and adopted governance roles and responsibilities confirm, Brisbane City, City of Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast Councils', share an equivalent responsibility in the planning, preparation and delivery of the 2032 Games. The City has made a significant contribution to the Games through our Delivery Partner Deed and it is imperative that the City be afforded the appropriate stakeholder status within this legislation, which is currently lacking.

The awarding of the Games committed the region to formation of strong partnerships, founded on a 'new norms' approach. It is therefore concerning that despite all the discussions about collaboration and partnership, the City of Gold Coast is excluded from the Board of the Brisbane 2032 Organising Committee.

In fact, two of the three Local Government entities hosting the majority of Olympic and Paralympic events, broadcasting our cities to the world, are excluded from this important governance committee. It had the question when



# Introduction

The Council of the City of Gold Coast (City) welcomes the opportunity to provide comment on the Olympic and Paralympic Games Brisbane 2032 (the Games) Infrastructure Review.

The City believes there is an opportunity to optimise current infrastructure within the Gold Coast, not currently planned to be utilised as competition venues, along with infrastructure the City has identified within future planning requirements. This document will provide the review page.



# **Potential Savings and Legacy**

#### **Gold Coast Aquatic Centre**

- \$2.5 billion (\$2.4 billion with roof) saving
- Permanent enhanced high-performance and community aquatic centre

#### **Gold Coast Sports Precinct**

- \$2.7 billion saving
- Permanent integrated high-performance and community sports precinct

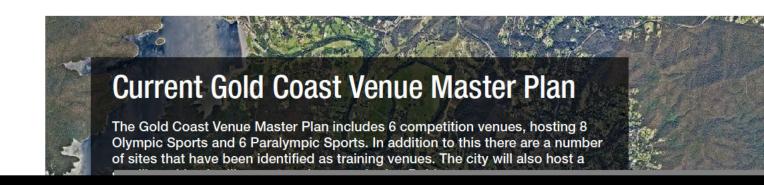
#### **Pizzey Park**

Permanent elite and community BMX and skate park

#### **Gold Coast Hockey Centre**

- \$2 million saving
- · Permanent elite and community hockey centre

Regatta Waters Lake at Damian Leeding Memorial Park

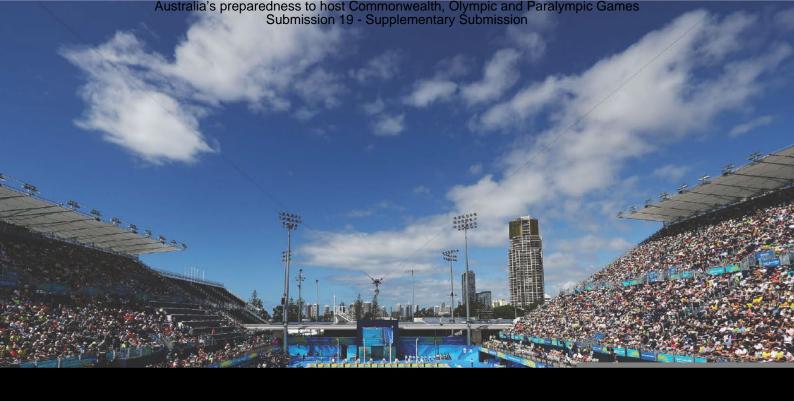






# Existing Gold Coast venues that could be utilised within the Venue Master Plan as competition venues

Gold Coast Aquatic Centre	80
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#### **GCAC Value Proposition**

The GCAC is an existing FINA international level facility (*fit-for-purpose*) that would provide *value for money* through reduced construction and overlay costs as it sits in a current competition precinct, improved *deliverability* through the venue being an existing aquatic centre, and previous construction knowledge from the centre's upgrade in 2014.

The venue hosts a significant number of elite event and high-performance camps, and welcomes more than 600,000 patrons annually, thus providing community benefit. This number is expected to grow significantly over the next 20 years due to high population growth. As such, the need for improved aquatic facilities would provide further outstanding *community legacy*, delivering both social and economic benefit to the Gold Coast and Queensland.

The City will deliver the venue at no additional capital cost. However, should a roof be required, a \$100m investment will be required. The City would be prepared to contribute towards this cost.







Image credit: Cricket Australia/Brisbane Heat Cricket

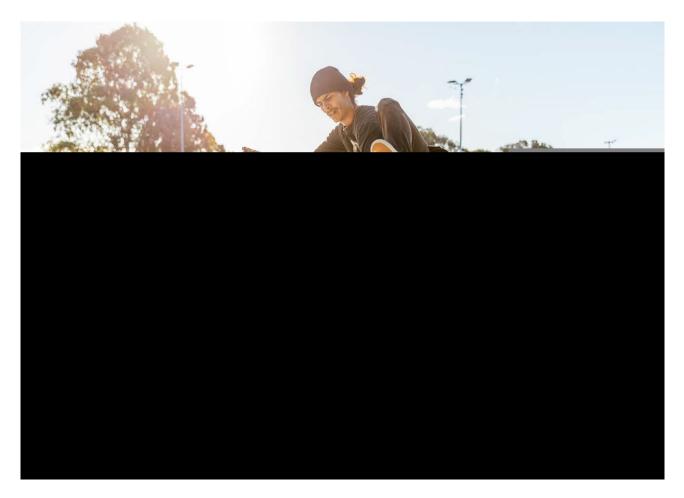
#### Heritage Bank Stadium Value Proposition

The advantages of this venue's inclusion in the Master Plan is that it is already located within a competition hub, with Judo, Wrestling (Olympics) and Boccia (Paralympics) already proposed in the precinct. This gives potential to streamline overlay cost, including transport, spectator movement and security. The venue would need to be upgraded, not start afresh (deliverability). In addition to this the venue could be included in the broader precinct upgrade program, thus streamlining costs (value for money)

Heritage Bank Stadium has hosted a variety of major events with significant patronage. It's flexibility enables the stadium to be considered for a variety of sports within the Olympic and Paralympic program and has a broader footprint which would enable last mile, transport and sponsor activations (*fit-for-purpose*). The use of the facility for the Games would further support the City's, State's and AFL's investment into the precinct, delivering a greater legacy to the community, delivering both social and economic benefit to the Gold Coast and Queensland.

The City will provide capital investment should improvements be required.







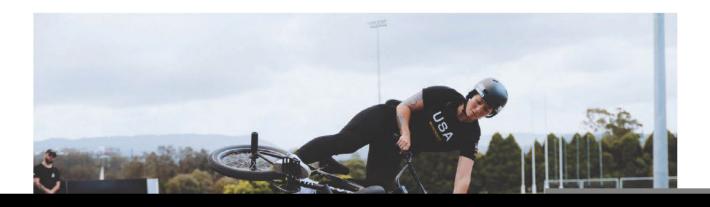


#### Pizzey Park Skate Park Value Proposition

Pizzey Park Skate Park is a hub for action sports. The park would only require an extension/minor upgrade of the facility to full Olympic standard (fit-for-purpose) that would provide value for money through reduced construction and overlay costs and improved deliverability through recent construction knowledge of the Skate Park.

Having an Olympic venue publicly available to both locals and our visitors would provide outstanding *community legacy*, delivering both social and economic benefit to the Gold Coast and Queensland. The proximity of the park to the new Stage 3 light rail (currently being delivered) and Games Village (Robina) provides additional benefits and promotes active transport opportunities.

The City will provide capital investment should improvements be required.







# Regatta Waters Lake at Damian Leeding Memorial Park



Regatta Waters Lake at Damian Leeding Memorial Park is currently a conThe park is located just off the M1 motorway



# **Current initiatives underway**

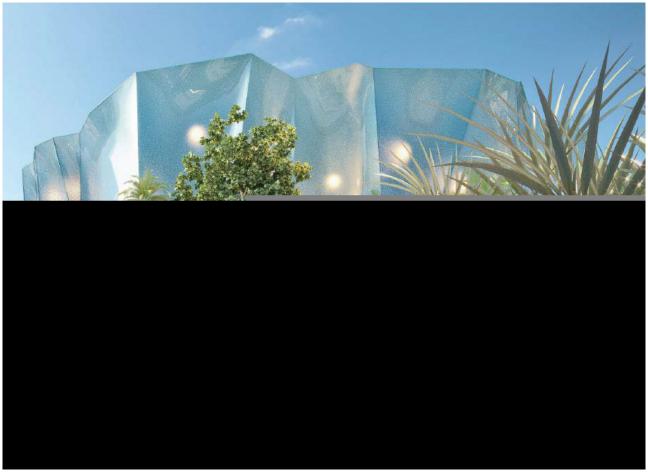


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# 12,000 Seat Multi-purpose Arena

The City recently undertook a Problem and Opportunity Statement process to engage global entertainment industry leaders, developers, and investors on delivery of an indoor entertainment arena for audiences of up to 12,000 pax. Significant international and national syndicates expressed interest in the opportunity.

A detailed assessment will run through to March 2024, with a report to be taken to Council in mid-2024 outlining a proposed way forward for the next stage of the market process. The assessment will consider any other suitable sites that satisfy the project pillars and desirable site characteristics for an indoor entertainment arena.

This venue could be used as a Games competition venue for a variety of sports including basketball, boxing, handball, and gymnastics (Olympics), wheelchair basketball and goalball (Paralympics). It should be noted that this venue is commercially led, as such it is anticipated that the funding for construction would be a public/private partnership, thus reducing capital works requirements from Government and the Games.

## **Southport Sharks Master Plan**

The Southport Sharks AFL Club leases a parcel of land from the State Government adjacent to the Gold Coast Health and Knowledge Precinct and less than a kilometre away from the Gold Coast Hockey Centre and the nearest light rail station.

The Sharks have developed a Master Plan that seeks to upgrade the facility into one of Australia's premier sport, leisure and entertainment precincts.

The centrepiece of the plan is a boutique stadium catering in legacy for 10,000 pax. Should the Games consider using this, temporary seating could increase this to 20,000-30,000 pax.

# **Gold Coast Sports Precinct Master Plan**

Significant demand for community sport and major events along with deman for additional high-performance opportunities has seen the need to fast track the development of a new Gold Coast Sports Precinct Master Plan. The precinct will seek to:

- 1. enable high-performance precinct to attract and retain existing opportunities
- 2. cater for local and regional needs
- 3. support broader commercial outcomes and maximises overall efficiency of the site.

The precinct, which includes Heritage Bank Stadium and the Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre - proposed to host Judo, Wrestling (Olympics) and Boccia (Paralympics) competitions.

The Master Plan includes additional indoor and high-performance training and competition facilities which requires additional indoor and high-performance training and competition facilities which could be utilised for Games competition and training. Please refer to Attachment 2 for further detail regarding this initiative.

# **Endless Surf Wave Pool, Parkwood**

The Endless Surf Wave Pool recently received development approval at Parkwood, which is located in the central Gold Coast.

The development will transform the current golf course into a worldclass integrated golf and surf precinct. The project will include the 'Endless Surf Wave Lagoon', an upgraded 18-hole golf course, as well as residential, hotel, retail, entertainment and dining facilities.

The wave pool has been intentionally designed to meet community to international level surfing with the technology delivering near limitless wave customisation and industry-leading operating flexibility.

# Optional venue proposals

Based on the information available publicly, it is recommended that the following be considered as potential options in the Venue Master Plan.

Sport	Current venue	Current capital cost (if known)	Alternative option
Competition venues			
Aquatics - Swimming	Brisbane Arena (new build, temp pool)	\$2.5b (Post bid)	Gold Coast Aquatic Centre
Aquatics - Water Polo, Diving and Artistic Swimming	Brisbane Aquatic Centre (Chandler)	\$27.1m (2021 bid)	Gold Coast Aquatic Centre
Athletics	Brisbane Cricket Ground	\$2.7b (Post bid)	Heritage Bank Stadium
Canoe (Slalom)	Redland Whitewater Centre	\$35.7m (2021 bid)	Penrith Whitewater Centre, NSW
Golf	Royal Queensland Golf Club		RACV Royal Pines Golf Course
Hockey	Ballymore Stadium		Gold Coast Hockey Centre

Capital cost required	Benefit of change	Potential saving
<\$100m if roof required	<ul> <li>existing venue</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>located within a current Games competition hub, providing the opportunity to streamline overlay cost including transport, spectator movement and security</li> <li>LG co-contribution for any specified upgrade requirements.</li> </ul>	\$2.5b
\$0	<ul> <li>existing venue</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>located within a current Games competition hub, providing the opportunity to streamline overlay cost including transport, spectator movement and security</li> <li>LG co-contribution for any specified upgrade requirements.</li> </ul>	\$27.1m (2021)
\$0	<ul> <li>existing venue</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>located within a current Games competition hub, providing the opportunity to streamline overlay cost including transport, spectator movement and security.</li> </ul>	\$2.7b
\$0	existing venue     tested international event facility.	\$35.7m (2021)
\$0	<ul> <li>existing venue</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>efficient use of resources</li> <li>ease of access to venue.</li> </ul>	\$0
\$0	<ul> <li>existing venue</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>located within a current Games competition hub, providing the opportunity to streamline overlay cost including transport, spectator movement and security</li> </ul>	\$2m saving on building pitch and reinstating existing
	Total potential saving	> \$5b

# Optional venue proposals

Based on the information available publicly available it is recommended that the following be considered as potential options in the Venue Master Plan.

Sport	Current venue	Current capital cost (if known)	Alternative option
Other venues			
Cricket	Not yet in program	N/A	Heritage Bank Stadium, Gold Coast
			Southport Sharks, Gold Coast
Cycling -	Victoria Park, Brisbane Temporary venue	Pizzey Park, Gold Coast	
BMX Freestyle		Temporary venue	Gold Coast Sports Precinct
Skate	Not yet in program	Temporary venue	Pizzey Park, Gold Coast
Sprint Canoe	Wyaralong Flat Water Centre	Temporary venue	Regatta Waters Lake at Damien Leeding Memorial Park
Surfing	Not yet in program	Temporary venue	Snapper Rocks or Gold Coast Endless Surf Wave Pool
Various indoor sport competition		Permanent venue	12,000 seat entertainment venue

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Capital cost required	Benefit of change	Potential saving
\$0	<ul> <li>within existing competition hub</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>located within a current Games competition hub, providing the opportunity to streamline overlay cost including transport, spectator movement and security</li> <li>proposed master plan development with existing sporting</li> </ul>	
	field reducing overlay and infrastructure costs.  • close to light rail, Health & Knowledge Precinct and Southport.	
<b>\$</b> 0	<ul> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>close to light rail and Village</li> <li>long term facility legacy in line with AIS, Cycling Australia and Skate Australia endorsed Action Sport High-performance Hub on the Gold Coast.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>within existing competition hub</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>located within a current Games competition hub, providing the opportunity to streamline overlay cost including transport, spectator movement and security.</li> </ul>	
\$0	<ul> <li>existing skate venue</li> <li>tested international event facility</li> <li>long term facility legacy in-line with AIS, QAS, Cycling Australia and Skate Australia endorsed Action Sport High-performance Hub on the Gold Coast.</li> </ul>	
\$0	<ul> <li>existing venue</li> <li>efficient use of resources</li> <li>ease of access to venue</li> <li>improved legacy outcomes.</li> </ul>	
\$0	<ul> <li>world-renowned surf break</li> <li>existing international event location</li> <li>improved legacy outcomes.</li> </ul>	
\$238m (2021 bid)	<ul> <li>replace propsed new centre built for Games</li> <li>no capital cost for State or Federal Governments</li> <li>delivered by City of Gold Coast and private investment</li> <li>improved legacy outcomes.</li> </ul>	

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The IOC's New Norm process is designed to ensure the Games are both affordable and sustainable, with a strong preference for the use of existing or temporary facilities.