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Committee Secretary

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works  
PO Box 6021  
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Dear Committee Secretary,

**RE: Integrated fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Taxation Office at the site known as Site 5 and 6, the Revitalised Central Dandenong project, Dandenong, Victoria**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above matter.

The Greater Dandenong City Council has been an active partner with Places Victoria (State Government agency) to collectively revitalise central Dandenong. The State Government has invested \$290m towards the cost of land and infrastructure works, whilst Council has committed in excess of \$100m towards major projects including the Drum Theatre, Dandenong Market upgrade and the new Municipal Building Project/Library/City Square.

The proposed retention of the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) staff in central Dandenong is essential to the ongoing vitality of our city centre. The proposed premises, being sites 5 and 6, with the seven hectares of land acquired by Places Victoria is a critical component that will strengthen the new investment in this precinct which already includes the Government Services Office and Municipal Building Project (ie. major Federal, State and Local Government facilities).

The environmental benefits of the project are duly noted including the 5 star Green Star rating and 4.5 star NABERS rating and the option to connect to the Precinct Energy Plant. The construction of the building and its fit-out will create employment opportunities for the region and stimulate local business activity. The relocation of existing tenants to new premises will also likely see the backfilling of the existing building with new tenants and may also see the environmental standards of the existing building improved as has occurred with a number of other recent projects in central Dandenong.

In summary, Council strongly supports the proposed development and integrated fit-out of new leased premises for the ATO at the site known as Site 5 and 6, Dandenong.

Yours sincerely

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