

## 5.5. TENDER FOR MOSSMAN SPLASH PARK

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### RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Resolves to award Contract WO5843 – Mossman Splash Park Design & Construct to Urban Play Pty Ltd (ABN 87 569 981 10) for \$150,659.30 (GST exclusive) for water play equipment supply; and
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3. Delegates authority under s 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters in relation to this contract.

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Douglas Shire Council has obtained a grant to install a splash park in Mossman. A tender was released to the open market and no conforming tenders were received.

Council officers were able to negotiate with the one non-conforming tenderer to provide a suitable quote for the project.

### BACKGROUND

Council was successful in obtaining a \$1.5M grant for splash parks in Port Douglas and Mossman from the Queensland Government.

As such, Douglas Shire Council requires a contractor to design and construct a splash park at the Mossman pool.

### COMMENTS

Council issued an open tender invitation through Vendor Panel for the WO5843 – Mossman Splash Park Design and Construction. The Vendor panel reference number is VP306280.

The tender invitation was Australia wide and called for interested contractors to provide designs and subsequent construction up to a maximum amount.

There were no conforming submissions received and only one non-conforming submission, which was for supply of equipment only.

Council officers commenced discussions with the supplier, Urban Play that had made a submission.

Urban Play in conjunction with an installer/builder Aquatic Project Solutions that they have partnered with in the past, were able to provide pricing for two options for the design, supply and installation of a splash park facility.

Option one was for a fully installed system, whilst option two was for a staged system, whereby a basic install was provided and later, further water play equipment could added. There was only approximately \$20,000 difference between the two options.

The relevant Council departments recommend that option one be selected.

Once a contracted is awarded, officers will work with the contractor to optimise and finalise the technical details of the project such as power requirements.

## **PROPOSAL**

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## **FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The proposed engagement of suppliers exceeds the current budget for the project.

However, there is a \$1.5M total grant from the Queensland Government for the delivery of splash parks at Mossman and Port Douglas and it is proposed to reallocate the necessary budget shortfall amount from the Port Douglas project allowance.

A variation to the funding agreement will need to be approved by the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

As described above, Council has obtained an external grant for the Mossman Splash Park and acceptance of this proposed resolution will enable Council to fulfil its grant obligations.

By not resolving to award the Contract, Council will not meet the funding agreement conditions and the funding will need to be handed back to the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning.

## SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

- Economic:** Council has not provided this type of service to the community before, so does not have a detailed understanding of the operational costs of such a facility. Evidence from other Council's for similar sized splash parks indicate costs up to \$100,000 per annum. However, these costs will be somewhat mitigated by locating the facility at the pool complex, where resourcing for the pool can be extended to include the splash park, for example cleaning/ garden maintenance, etc.
- Environmental:** Nil as it is located in the existing pool complex
- Social:** The splash park is expected to provide well-being and entertainment value for a variety of users, such as small children, disabled persons and the family groups.

## CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN, POLICY REFERENCE

This report has been prepared in accordance with the following:

### Corporate Plan 2019-2024 Initiatives:

#### Theme 1 - Celebrating Our Communities

Douglas Shire Council embraces the diversity of our communities and values the contribution that all people make to the Shire. We recognise that it is a core strength of the region. We acknowledge our past so that it may guide us in the future.

We recognise the wrongs done to our Indigenous community and we actively seek to reconcile so that we may all benefit from and enjoy our Shire. We acknowledge early European settlers who forged an agricultural base for our economy and we welcome all new arrivals as part of our broader community.

**Goal 2 - We will deliver programs and services that protect and enhance the liveability of our beautiful Shire.**

### Operational Plan 2021-2022 Actions:

***Mossman Pool and Caravan Park 'reposition market'/revitalisation - Create separate entities for the pool and caravan park that celebrate their unique special features - as a top-rated community service and a tourism park of historical significance. To best reflect their individuality and highlight their specific target demographics, new signage and minor infrastructure will emote engaging messaging.***

## COUNCIL'S ROLE

Council can play a number of different roles in certain circumstances and it is important to be clear about which role is appropriate for a specific purpose or circumstance. The implementation of actions will be a collective effort and Council's involvement will vary from information only through to full responsibility for delivery.

The following areas outline where Council has a clear responsibility to act:

**Builder/Owner** Council makes a significant investment every year in the infrastructure that underpins the Shire through its capital works program. Council will manage its assets with appropriate frameworks and deliver its projects through robust project management.

**Service Provider** Council provides many services to the community from roads and waste services to libraries and recreational facilities. Services evolve over time and it is the Council's mission to ensure that these services are appropriate, delivered efficiently, and designed with the customer at the centre.

## CONSULTATION

**Internal:** People and Communities Department  
Procurement Department  
Councillor Workshop 13 September 2022

**External:** Supplier

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Nil

## ATTACHMENTS

Nil