0.0 Acceptance of Funding - NSW Government Regional Events Acceleration Fund

REPORT BY THE GENERAL MANAGER TO 16 FEBRUARY 2022 ORDINARY MEETING GOV400098, GRA600048

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. receive the report by the General Manager on the Acceptance of Funding NSW Government Regional Events Acceleration Fund;
- 2. if successful, accept \$150,000 in grant funding from the NSW Government Regional Events Acceleration Fund;
- 3. if successful, amend the 2021/22 budget to increase grant funding by \$150,000 and increase expenditure by \$150,000; and
- 4. if successful, authorise the General Manager to finalise and sign the funding agreement with the NSW Government.

Executive summary

Council has the opportunity to host a formal A-League Match at Glen Willow Stadium in March 2022. The NSW Government has advised funds are available to assist with the delivery costs of this match through the Regional Events Acceleration Fund.

This report recommends acceptance of grant funding from the NSW Government Regional Events Acceleration Fund if the aplication is successful.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

Council was invited to apply for grant funding from the NSW Government Regional Events Acceleration Fund in regards to an A-League Match to be held at Glen Willow Stadium in March 2022. The intention of this grant is to support major events held in regional NSW. The funding aims to help meet the costs of attracting or retaining major events and help fund the operational and infrastructure improvements existing events need to increase visitation and length of stay. The Regional Events Acceleration funding will help Council cover delivery costs of the A-League event and cover broadcast expense incurred by the host team in relocating the event to Mudgee.

Community Plan implications

Theme	Building a Strong Local Economy	
Goal	An attractive business and economic environment	

Strategy Promote the Region as a great place to live, work, invest and visit

Strategic implications

Council Strategies

Hosting major events, such as A-League matches, form part of Council's strategy to promote the Region as a great place to live, work, invest and visit.

Council Policies

Not Applicable

Legislation

Not Applicable

Financial implications

The provision of this grant will reduce reliance on Council funds to deliver the A-league Event.

Budget Year	Operating Performance Ratio	Own Source Revenue	Building & Infrastructure Renewal
2021/22	\checkmark	-	-
Future Years	-	-	-

Associated Risks

Nil

BRAD CAM GENERAL MANAGER

15 February 2022

Attachments: Nil

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

BRAD CAM <u>GENERAL MANAGER</u>