

Item No. 9.1

REPORT TITLE | Interim Capital Housing Program - Overspend

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ATTACHMENTS | Nil

#### **PURPOSE**

To inform Council of the risk management approach to divert the possibility of a 23/24 Budget \*deficit.

#### **REPORT**

\*Qld Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulations 2010, Chapter 3, Part 1, Section 97.

Requirement to keep record of particular matters

- (1) A local government must keep a written record stating the following
  - a. The risks the local governments operations are exposed to, to the extent they are relevant to financial management;
  - b. The control measures adopted to manage the risks;
  - c. The duties of each local government employee who is responsible for carrying out an activity relating to financial management.
- The Interim (current) Capital Housing Program Agreement was endorsed on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 to the value of \$2,352, 941 (inclusive of GST).
- Finance has receipted two (2) payments that have been released by Department of Housing to the value of \$2.1mil with the final payment to be paid on the sign off on the 40 year leases representing 10% of the funding. The 'Contract' was due to end in December 2023.
- As a result of COVID and increases to material costs stalled the construction of houses for a number of years.
- The Project Managers month reports in 2023 have indicated the ongoing non-building code compliant and breaches to building regulations requiring rectification.
- The current overspend is approximately \$155,086.22 for the completion of 273 Freeman Street that have been sourced from General Revenue.
- Total cost for the build of 273 Freeman is approximately \$694,901.36

#### **Expenditure Summary**

Community:	Woorabinda			
Local	Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire			
Authority:	Council			
Program	Identify and subdivide 2 existing land lots			
Description:	and upgrade services as required,			

Construct up to 6, 2-bedroom or 3-bedroom

detached dwellings.

Date: Expendit ure	Expenditure	
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Select Type from list	Budget	Address	Percent age Complet e	Total expenditur e to Date	Total amount of unspent Funding	Contrib utions towards cost of works made by Council
Land Lot 1	\$428,000	274 Freeman St Woorabinda	Complet ed in 3 weeks	\$8,701.07	\$ 419,298. 93	NA
Land Lot 2	\$428,000	273 Freeman St Woorabinda	Variation Forward Program (handed over)	\$ 534,268.73	-\$ 106,268. 73	\$155,08 6.22
Land Lot 3	\$652,000.00	280 Freeman St Woorabinda	Complet ed in 3 weeks	\$ 1,121,359. 78	-\$ 469,359. 78	NA
Land Lot 4	\$652,000.00	288 Kemp St Woorabinda	Complet ed in 3 Weeks	\$917,562.7 6	-\$ 265,562. 76	NA
Land Lot 5	\$190,000	292 Kemp St Woorabinda	Complet ed in 3 weeks	\$ 8,431.53	\$ 181,568. 47	NA

# Total Outstanding Cost to complete the Interim Construction Project

WASC is seeking a variation to the approximate value of **\$763,637.79**. This amount will allow WASC to complete the project.

# Invoices paid in December to complete 273 Freeman Street

169,189.37	Claim 2 - 273 Freeman Street Woorabinda QLD
243,079.28	Claim 3 New Construction 280 Freeman Street
34,430.34	Claim 3 - New Construction 273 Freeman Street
218,091.29	Claim 3 - New Construction 288 Kemp Street Woorabinda QLD 4713
25,212.07	Claim 4 – New Construction 288 Kemp Street Woorabinda QLD 4713

WASC currently has a Capital Housing Program account for forward construction project to develop Green Street with a balance of \$1,078,215.00.

The Forward Capital Grant will consist of: Develop 20 Lots Water Trunk Infrastructure Upgrade Build 4x2 Bedroom Duplex 273 Freeman Street Design of 2x2 Bedroom Duplex in vacant lots.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

To manage a potential risk to the 23/24 Budget a variation is under negotiation with Department of Housing as follows:

- Accounting adjustment will be require to transfer expenses associated with 273 Freeman to the Forward Program.
- The completion of 280 and 288 Freeman to the value \$268,291 to be expended in the Interim (current) program from any residue and the final payment of \$210,000.
- Any further expenditure over budget will need to be costed against the final installment.
  As a result, it is unlikely that any administrative/management cost benefit margin will be achieved.
- The Forward Capital Program will be varied to complete the Green Street Sub-Division of 22 Lots and properties in Freeman Street.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

23/24 Budget

#### **LEGISLATIVE & OTHER REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS**

Qld Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulations 2010

### **BUDGET, FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Non-approval to progress with the variation will result in the cost to complete the current construction of new houses to the value of \$763,637 will be expended from general revenue.

## **CONSULTATION**

- Department of Housing
- WASC Project Manager
- WASC A/Corporate Services Manager

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

Accepts the information provided and support the approach to vary the Interim and Forward Capital Housing Program Agreements with Department of Housing.