

OFFICERS' REPORT**ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL LOCAL ROADS & TRANSPORT CONGRESS 2022**

Submitting Councillor: Stuart James

MOTION

That Council approves the attendance of Cr Stuart James, Mayor at the National Local Roads and Transport Congress 2022 in Hobart from 1 to 4 November 2022.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Funding will be required to cover the cost for the event which includes registrations, travel, and accommodation. The mayor's attendance at this event would be funded as per the *Policy for Reimbursement of Expenses to Councillors and Members of Delegated Committees & Resources & Facilities for Councillors*.

The cost for attendance will vary depending upon flight and accommodation availability. The approximate cost breakdown is as follows:

Item	Approximate cost
Registration	\$895.00
Three nights' Accommodation	\$240.00 per night (approximate)
Travel (flights and cab vouchers)	\$500.00
Food (supplied by the conference)	NA
Approximate Total	\$1,995.00

To prepare for unforeseen incidentals, it is proposed the total amount for this event be approved for up to \$2,500.

IMPACT ON INTERNAL RESOURCES

It is expected there will be no impact on internal resources.

COUNCIL PLAN AND COUNCIL POLICIES

The issues raised in the report relate to Council's strategic objectives for "A Liveable and Sustainable City".

Council's Integrated Transport Strategy, adopted in February 2017, acknowledges the potential opportunities of current and emerging road, public transport and sustainable transport technologies and development.

It is of benefit to Council to ensure that it is actively engaged in understanding these opportunities on a local and national level for the benefit of the Monash community.

RELEVANCE TO WORK ALREADY UNDERTAKEN BY OFFICERS OR COMMITTEES

The Motion complements the work undertaken by officers and Councillors as part of MTF (Metropolitan Transport Forum) and ETC (Eastern Transport Coalition).

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The Congress will provide a valuable opportunity to investigate and explore potential improvements to Monash roads and infrastructure.