

GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL
MAYORAL MINUTE

MM02

SUBJECT: GRIFFITH 2016 CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS
FROM: John Dal Broi, Mayor

SUMMARY

The 2016 Centenary Celebrations Action Group met on Tuesday, 19 August 2014 to discuss a proposal to conduct a Griffith International Sculpture Symposium. The Action Group received a presentation from a sculptor. The Action Group felt it was important before agreeing to this type of project to have an expert in the field present to the Action Group and to answer any questions.

The Griffith International Sculpture Symposium will be a great way to leave a lasting legacy of the last one hundred years and will also have the ability for the community to be actively involved by way of sponsorships of the individual sculptures and by having the stone masons be resident at Pioneer Park whilst sculpting. This allows for a program of activity to be created around this so that the community, schools and visitors can come and view and interact during this period.

The 2016 Centenary Celebrations Action Group recommended that the Griffith International Sculpture Symposium be accepted in principle.

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) The Griffith International Sculpture Symposium be accepted as the main event for the 2016 Centenary celebrations.**
- (b) That proposals be invited from appropriately qualified professionals to conduct the sculpture symposium in accordance with Council's procurement policy.**
- (c) That staff prepare a draft program of events including preliminary budget allocations for the 2016 Centenary of Celebrations and this draft program be reported to the Tourism & Events Committee for consideration.**

BACKGROUND

The 2016 Centenary Celebrations Action Group has been discussing various options to mark the centenary of Griffith and have reviewed the Sculpture Symposiums that have been held in both Broken Hill and the Adelaide Hills. The Action Group want to ensure that a lasting tribute is left to honour our forebears and to leave a legacy for future residents of Griffith City.

In addition to the Sculpture Symposium, the Action Group will be contacting all other Committees of Council and other local organisations and committees to advise of all proposed 2016 Centenary activities so that they may become involved.

Letters to the Governor General, The Prime Minister, The Premier and others will be sent out in due course to try and ensure they are able to attend this event.

OPTIONS

- (a) As per the recommendation.
- (b) Other resolution as determined by Council.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

a) Policy Implications

Council's procurement policy and manual is applicable to this matter.

b) Financial Implications

1. Preliminary estimates to conduct a sculpture symposium is between \$100k - \$120k.
2. Council has established a reserve to provide funding to undertake a program of events in 2016. The reserve has minimal funds at this stage. Following Council's consideration of a draft program of events and budget, a recommendation will be made to Council for allocation of sufficient funds to implement the program of events.
3. The Action Group will also ensure that a Sponsorship Prospectus for The Griffith International Symposium is created to attract funding as well as seek in-kind support from community and business organisations to assist in cost offsetting.

c) Legal/Statutory Implications

A Development Application will need to be developed for the installation of the sculptures.

CONSULTATION

2016 Centenary Action Group
Project Planner Department

STRATEGIC LINKS

a) Growth Strategy Plan

Not Applicable

b) Corporate/Business Plan

Growing Griffith 2030: L7 - Promote, celebrate and build on our cultural diversity cosmopolitan identity.