

George Ling

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To: George Ling
Subject: Soldiers Road

Hi George,

Funding:

Has come through the State Recovery Plan, with the funds then managed through the Western Australian Bicycle Network Grants program.

At this stage - I would recommend that your report still puts forward the request for the \$250,000 allocation from SoSJ in 2020-21 and also 2021-22.

We have created the below summary that we are providing to our Managers to then message up to the Minister:

- Total project cost estimate currently \$4.55m (only 10% contingency) – only \$3m has been secured through State Recovery funding
- LG officers are seeking Council approval to top up funds to \$3.5m (\$250,000 in 2020-21 / 2021-22) – this is expected to be supported given the WABN grant applications with propose a \$250,000 LG allocation across 8 years
- Current scope deliverable within the \$3.5m budget does not include:
 - o Allowance for the rail crossing – estimated cost \$600,000. These works could be abortive:
 - Main Roads is currently progressing the Freight Rail Realignment (FRR) planning in this area, parallel with the Tonkin Highway Extension development works for the ultimate case and project case concept designs.
 - The Minister is to be advised shortly on the feasibility of including the Kwinana South Western Freight Rail Realignment in the Tonkin Highway Extension Project scope for construction delivery. Following the Ministers consideration and decision, MRWA will be advised if the FRR is in or out.
 - If the realignment is included in the Tonkin Extension project (construction to commence early 2022), the rail line will be moved south of Mundijong and a crossing for the Soldiers Road path would no longer be required.
 - o Allowance for the bridge construction – estimated cost \$700,000.
 - Design work has not yet been completed - the cost estimate is TBC but expected to be on the high side
 - The SoSJ does have an option to detour the path around the crossing point, however this would only be suitable as a short term option. This could be delivered within the existing \$3.5m budget.
 - If the bridge cannot be delivered within the existing \$3.5m budget (unlikely) and additional funding cannot be provided through State Recovery funding (unknown), it would be proposed that the Shire reapply for funding top up through the WABN grants program in 2022-23.
- If the rail crossing and bridge need to be included in the project scope for 2020-21-22 we will need to secure and additional \$1m funding (minimum).

Hope that all makes sense George.

Cheers,
 Francois

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