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ATTENTION: DIRECTOR – KEY SITES ASSESSMENTS
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Dear Director,

OBJECTION

State Significant Development Application No: SSD-10300
Coffs Harbour Cultural and Civic Space

I object to the above Development Application.

The reasons for my objection are as follows:

1. Original Council proposal included Performing Arts space and did not include Council offices.
2. No meaningful community engagement for the inclusion of Council Chambers, which are unjustified.
3. Current Council Chambers were planned and built to allow future expansion, the cost of which Council is overstating to justify the new building.
4. 14,768 residents have signed a community petition calling the project to be suspended, which Council has ignored.
5. The proposal is contrary to the public interest, being a financial burden on future generations. Evidence is the need for Council to sell public buildings to reduce debt.
6. Council should be denied any change or variance to the Local Environmental Plan or Development Control Plans as Council would not grant the same for commercial developments and would constitute preferential treatment.
7. Expert advice indicates Council is well short of on-site parking and community parking. Council assumptions for parking at other buildings and public zones ignores the added impact of the new building on an already dense zone and are only inadequate short-term measures

Other issues:

① Already have suitable council chambers
② Lack of parking

Signature <u>John Polsden</u>	
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