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ATTENTION: DIRECTOR - KEY SITE ASSESSMENTS

PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING,INDUSTRY AND ENVIRONMENT,

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Dear Director,

State Significant Development Application Number SSD-10300

Coffs Harbour Cultural and Civic Space.

I strongly object to this proposal for the following reasons:

We do need a better art gallery, museum, library and a new performing arts centre would be nice. COFFS HARBOUR DOES NOT NEED NEW COUNCIL OFFICES!

The museum will only house 10% of its collection in the newly proposed building. Council will need to spend more money to have a storage shed to house the rest of the 90% of its collection. So the proposed building is not solving the museums problem

The Art Gallery is spread over two floors in the proposed building. It's not ideal for the Art Gallery either.

The council staff offices are getting less space than they currently occupy. In the new building, they will have shared hot desks and staff will be expected to work from home with

laptops and mobile technologies. Has this model been tested to be productive? We don't know. In effect, we are losing dramatic amount of space and not future proofing the city.

CHCC are prepared to financially overburden ratepayers and residents by allowing the (justifiable) need for better art and library facilities to be hijacked by this monster project at exorbitant cost. Council get new offices and sell of the existing buildings and still have to spend/borrow \$40/\$50million to get what they have now.

Moving the council chambers less than 200 feet will not have any marked positive influence to better serve the Ratepayers.

There is a vacant block next to the Roads and Maritime Services in GORDON street which was sold by the council only 3 or 4 years ago .

At the time Council admitted PARKING ON-SITE AND IN THE STREET NEARBY WAS ALREADY INADEQUATE .

In the past two years I have not made any reportable donations.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W B Jones'.