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ATTENTION: DIRECTOR – KEY SITES ASSESSMENTS

Planning and Assessment

Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

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Dear Director,

OBJECTION

State Significant Development Application No: SSD-10300

Coffs Harbour Cultural and Civic Space


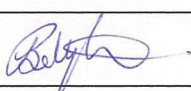
I object to the Development Application and request that a Public Hearing be held.

The reasons for my objection are as follows:

1. The original public proposal included Performing Arts space and did not include Council offices.
2. There has been no meaningful community engagement for the inclusion of Council Chambers.
3. Council has restricted its invited consultation to special interest groups.
4. 14,768 residents have signed a community petition calling the project to be suspended, which has been ignored by Council.

Other issues:

- ① The cost of Loan Repayments will cripple (Coffs Housing) Rate Payers!
There are 32,943 dwellings in Coffs - 34.3% are rented (they don't directly pay rates)
that leaves 21,347 Rate payers to fund loan repayments. We have
highest unemployment in state NSW. Only 3% of renters can actual
"afford" housing.
- ② If this project goes ahead 21,347 rate payers will
have no choice but to increase rates in an area that is already
facing A HOUSING CRISIS.
- ③ The cost to Build
- ④ The Repayments Over 30 yrs
- ⑤ Not Getting what we NEED!! for the money - No New Council Chambers NEEDED

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