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Attn: Ferdinando Macri - Planning Officer

Dear Mr Macri

I refer to your letter dated 10 February 2022 requesting Venues NSW respond to submissions made by the Community Consultative Committee (CCC), City of Sydney Council and the Department's Environment Energy and Sciences Group in relation to the SSD 9835 MOD 7 Precinct Village and Car Park Response to Submissions ('MOD 7').

Venues NSW has considered all feedback raised in the three submissions and provided a detailed response to each matter in the attached schedule. The schedule should be read in conjunction with the following additional supporting material, also accompanying this letter:

- TTW (flooding);
- JMT Consulting (network modelling results);
- Cox (updated plan illustrating the location of the PV cells on the tennis pavilion roof) and;
- Aspect (updated tree removal and retention plan).

In response to the CCC and City of Sydney concerns regarding on-grass parking, Venues NSW again wishes to reiterate that the Precinct Village and Car Park development would facilitate:

- immediate removal of the northern portion of the EP2 (Upper Kippax) on-grass parking area via a condition of consent on MOD 7;
- removal of the southern portion of the EP2 (Lower Kippax) on-grass parking area when Stage 2 of the Precinct Village and Car Park is operational via a condition of consent; and
- progressive removal of EP3 (Showground) on grass parking by Greater Sydney Parklands in consultation with Venues NSW, Transport for NSW and Moore Park Events Operations Group (MEOG), pending successful development and implementation of precinct-wide transport initiatives.

Venues NSW has championed and is directly investing in the Precinct Village and Car Park development to respond to the requirements of SSD 9835 which require consideration of alternative options to the current on-grass parking arrangement. Following extensive review of other potential options, the Precinct Village and Car Park development was identified as the only viable solution providing an ability to accelerate the progressive removal of on-grass car parking spaces in a meaningful way. In this regard, the project supports the commitment given in the SFS Redevelopment Environmental Impact Statement approved by the Minister for Planning and

Public Space which states: *"removal should occur over the medium and long-term and will only occur where increased access via other transport modes and/or additional car parking is provided in alternative locations"*. The Precinct Village and Car Park development also supports realisation of the Moore Park Masterplan 2040 which commits to *"progressively removing parking on green space, noting that such measures will not be implemented until supplementary parking in dispersed locations (such as the Entertainment Quarter, E.S. Marks Athletics Field, Moore Park Golf and the SCG) has been created. This will ensure there is no net loss of event related parking in the Precinct"*. The Precinct Village and Car Park development is also consistent with a key opportunity identified by the Masterplan to *"support the provision of increased on-site car parking on adjacent land managed by the Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust"* (now Venues NSW). Any reduction in the proposed Precinct Village and Car Park's capacity, as suggested by the City of Sydney, would comprise achievement of these policies.

For avoidance of doubt, MOD 7 cannot commit to removal of parking on EP3. The land on which EP3 is contained is outside of Venues NSW's land ownership and is therefore outside of Venues NSW jurisdiction. It is also worth highlighting that the Greater Sydney Parklands Trust Bill ('Draft Bill') introduced by Minister Stokes in November 2021 is independently being considered by the NSW Government. The jurisdictional limitations and progression of the parallel draft Bill process supports decoupling MOD 7 from EP3.

The extensive investigations and documentation prepared for MOD 7, the Response to Submissions and this letter demonstrates that the Precinct Village and Car Park will achieve a great outcome for the community and further enhance the SFS offer which the NSW Government has heavily invested in while minimising environmental, economic and social impacts.

Venues NSW considers that it has satisfactorily addressed the matters raised by the CCC, City of Sydney and the EES and there are now no outstanding matters.

Yours sincerely,



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