30th August 2021

To Mr Peter Thompson, The General Manager, Wagga Wagga City Council, PO Box 20, Wagga Wagga, NSW, 2650.

NORTH WAGGA WAGGA VILLAGE HERITAGE TRACK

Dear Mr Thompson,

Thank you for the press release last Saturday of Council's \$6,076,864 Wiradjuri Trail Master Plan 2021. It is a truly integrated and worth-while project, well deserved by this great City. This release has inspired us to appeal directly to you to fund the remaining shortfall on our small project.

Thank you also VERY much for Council's Community@Work Fund Grant of \$20,000 for the supply and erection of 26 signs, against a total project cost of \$77,769. The <u>Signs</u> are supported by an 80-page <u>Book</u>, an IZI.TRAVEL app which provides free public access to <u>Audio</u> for each site, and a free one-page mapping <u>Brochure</u>.

Thank you also to your staff, Madeline Scully, Luke Grealy, Sam Robins, Fiona Hamilton, and Mathew Holt for their assistance with this Wagga Wagga City Council and North Wagga Residents Association combined project.

Since the Grant Application was allocated, (due to Council's condition on the grant not being available until the project is fully funded) we have negotiated a better price for the supply of the signs based on a one-time (rather than a piece-meal) delivery and installation. (A copy of the quote is attached.)

We have also found that the cost of the signs was quoted to you including GST while it has been a principle for at least 3 years, for all the Council's Annual Grants Program claims to exclude GST. I apologize for this oversight and have attached a revised financial statement.

Together, this has resulted in a revised shortfall of \$8,200 in our ability to fund this project.

Council Meeting Minutes of 26 July 2021 state that, of the \$95,372 that was available for the Community@Work Fund Grant this 2021~22 financial year, not all was allocated to fund projects, leaving \$51,086 to add to this financial year's further accumulation.

We appeal directly to you, to additionally fund \$8,200, the remaining shortfall on our small project, so that work may proceed, and be completed by the due date.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) Peter Morris Phone 0427 229 332 for North Wagga Residents Association Attached: Budget and Quote