6.2 ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL LOCAL ROADS & TRANSPORT CONGRESS 2022

Submitting Councillor: Stuart James

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That Council approves the attendance of Cr Stuart James at the National Local Roads and Transport Congress 2022 in Hobart from 1 to 4 November 2022.

INTRODUCTION

The Australian Local Government Association is holding its National Local Roads & Transport Congress 2022, in Hobart from 1 to 4 November 2022 (dates are inclusive).

I seek the Council's approval to attend the Congress.

DISCUSSION

Every year, local government nationally spends, approximately 25 cents in every dollar on local roads and transport.

With that level of investment, local government has a major stake in the future of Australia's transport systems and networks.

The provisional Congress program lists presentations and discussion on a range of issues, including:

- Balancing Productivity with Council Budgets
- National Road Safety Strategy and Local Government
- The Economic Value of Investing in Road Safety on Local Roads
- Infrastructure Sustainability for Councils in the Age of Climate Change
- What can councils do to improve road safety outcomes now?
- Using Recycled Materials in Roads and other Infrastructure
- How can Councils and the HV Industry Partner on Boosting Productivity?

Keynote speakers will include:

- Senior Research Officer, Australian College of Road Safety
- Head of the Office of Road Safety, Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Communications and the Arts
- Principal Advisor Asset Management, IPWEA
- Principal & Partner, SGS Economics & Planning
- Director Operations, Freight, Transport for NSW

The Conference will offer participants the opportunity to explore how to improve the community's roads and infrastructure, access the latest technology, be inspired by the best in the business, and to speak directly to our Federal decision makers.

FINANCIAL

The total cost for the event is estimated at approximately \$2,500 and includes registration, travel and accommodation.

Costs may vary depending upon flight and accommodation availability.