

24 October 2022 The Honourable Mick de Brenni, MP Via email

Dear Minister de Brenni,

Thank you for meeting with us recently and for the opportunity to further discuss the role of a Registered Landscape Architect position in the Office of the Queensland Government Architect.

Given that the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organising Committee are in place and planning is well under way, it is reasonable to expect that demands on facilities and advice of the Queensland Government Architect's Office will increase exponentially as design briefing works for 2032 facilities ramp up.

With this increasing workload it is vital that the OQGC is provided with additional resources in the upcoming state budget, with a focus on multidisciplinary design skills.

We strongly recommend that the OQGC is given a budget specifically to employ a Senior Registered Landscape Architect with experience in strategic delivery and public realm design.

This would bring the OQGC in line with other State Government Architect Offices around the country and increase their ability to provide advisory services and design oversight related to public realm across Olympics design planning.

We have also raised this in previous discussions with Minister Grace, Charis Mullen and Peter Russo. Charis Mullen has confirmed that deliberations for the 2023-24 State Budget will shortly begin and therefore, it would be a good time advocate for and request for this position be included in the next budget.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Institute and we look forward to engaging with you further at this exciting time for Brisbane and Queensland.

Yours sincerely,

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