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Wanthiwa Simon,

**RE: GANALILI TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROJECT – REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF TIP FEES**

Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation thanks you for taking the time to consider this request and for the support the City has provided to the development of the Ganalili Precinct to date.

I write to you to request that the City continues its support for the development of this vital community precinct in Roebourne through the waiving of tip fees for Stage 3, the Ganalili Transitional Housing Project.

Despite the Karratha Local Government Area having a much higher participation rate and a lower unemployment rate compared to Greater Perth and Western Australia, Roebourne has a considerably high unemployment rate and a very low participation rate. Access to local employment, particularly for Indigenous residents, is very difficult. However, the opportunity for a meaningful employment pathway and achievement of economic independence is readily accessible in Roebourne – with the right support led by community.

This project will deliver 10 transitional housing dwellings and associated commercial office and training space to assist people affected by crowded housing conditions gain access to employment, opportunities to gain accreditation and certification in their chosen field and save to transition to private rental or home ownership. As you are aware, crowded living conditions can be an impediment to people in Roebourne seeking and maintaining full time employment and we are confident that this project can act as a circuit breaker for willing people to change their future for the better and provide support services to assist them along the way.

The project also aims to reduce rates of recidivism by providing accommodation and access to training and support services to recently released inmates in an effort to provide a platform for them to pursue positive pathways in a stable environment. YAC will be working with the Department of Corrections to identify potential participants in the transitional housing program to provide the opportunity for inmates to participate in onsite work experience and training opportunities during the construction phase of the project.

Representatives from the City's Waste Management Department and GBSC Yurra (contractor who will be completing the project) recently surveyed existing buildings at the site to develop an estimate of material required to be removed from site as part of the demolition phase of the project to assist the City's consideration and quantification of this support.

Below is a list of materials and anticipated quantities for which YAC is requesting the City to waive associated tip fees:


- Asbestos and other fibrous sheeting – 15-20 tonne;
- Timber – 50 tonne;
- General waste/vegetation etc – 50 tonne;
- Masonry/concrete and steel – 900 tonne;

It is anticipated that a reasonable proportion of the concrete, masonry and steel may be able to be recycled locally, however we thought it best in the interest of being conservative to include the full estimated amount in this request.

Once again, as CEO I would like to thank the City for it's consideration of this request and look forward to the opportunity to discuss any queries you may have following internal review and deliberations.

Should you have any queries, please contact Michael Woodley on or 0419 097 130 or [mwoodley@yindjibarndi.org.au](mailto:mwoodley@yindjibarndi.org.au).

Regards,



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