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To Whom It May Concern

SUBMISSION TO THE BRISBANE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES ARRANGEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL 2024

Q Shelter welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission on the above Bill, as we believe independent oversight of the 2032 Games has the best chance of ensuring broad-based support and a transparent approach to decision-making. We also believe that the new authority should have a core focus on legacy in addition to delivery, to ensure the legacy plan is implemented in full and any negative impacts of the games are mitigated, such as possible population displacement forcing renters and other vulnerable community groups from key locations, as has been experienced in several other host cities.

Background

The Bill amends the Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Act 2021 (Act) to establish the **Games Venue and Legacy Delivery Authority** (the 'Authority') and its board.

Attached is Q Shelter's previous submission to the Federal Inquiry on Games preparedness and our submission titled 'Go for Gold', which is important work we completed with Urbis in late 2022, where we called for a social inclusion legacy and provided 52 recommendations across five key results areas.

We note the main functions of the new Authority will be to:

- Deliver venues in time for the games and within budget allocations, including managing effects on users of the venues during their development.
- Monitoring and ensuring the delivery of athlete villages in time for the games, and
- Coordinating and integrating the planning and delivery of State, Commonwealth, and Local government obligations under, or related to, the host contract.

It is important to note that the original Host Contract executed on 21 July 2021, by the IOC, Brisbane City Council (Host City), Queensland Government (Host State), and the AOC (Host NOC), included the following phrasing around priorities and legacies:

- 'Increased housing to meet growth including social and affordable housing.'
(Source: IOC Future Host Commission Questionnaire Response (Final Submission - May 2021).

For this reason, we suggest the following to help guide the implementation of the Authority and its board:

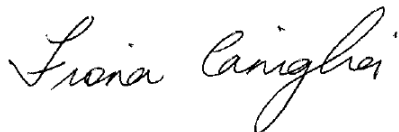
- Inclusion of skills in the delivery of social and affordable housing through an experienced community housing professional
- Maximisation of how the Athletes' Villages can deliver social and affordable housing legacy including the involvement of community housing providers in managing the resultant housing supply and in delivering a suite of real estate services in the transition to other housing types before and after the Games
- Monitoring of population displacement due to Games' related infrastructure projects, place-making activities, urban renewal, and the operation of the Games
- Facilitation of workforce housing strategies to ensure that the surge workforce to deliver Games infrastructure does not displace local people

- Establishment of public participation mechanisms that genuinely engage impacted communities including people who are vulnerable and disadvantaged
- Social procurement processes that guarantee economic participation and strengthening of First Nations-led businesses and other social enterprises
- Investment in opportunities for small businesses and social enterprises to achieve growth and participation as part of the Games' supply chain
- The establishment of a Housing Trust to create an additional funding source for innovative social and affordable housing projects, leveraging from Games procurement and commercial activities
- Sustain the Authority beyond the Games so it transitions to deliver ongoing legacy impacts, and critically evaluates success and other learnings.

Further contact

We appreciate the opportunity to make this short submission. If you have further questions, please contact our Policy & Strategic Engagement Manager, Jackson Hills at (07) 3831 5900 or jackson.hills@qshelter.asn.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fiona Caniglia". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Attachments

Please find linked previous submissions by Q Shelter:

- [Submission](#) to the Federal Inquiry on Olympic Games preparedness - for background
- [Go for Gold Submission](#)
- [Addendum to Legacy Submission](#)