

Media Release

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TENDER RELEASED FOR BENDIGO TRAMWAYS EXPANSION

The Bendigo Tramways expansion is another step closer, with the project now out to tender.

The \$10.7 million project is being delivered by the Andrews Labor Government in partnership with the City of Greater Bendigo and Bendigo Heritage Attractions, to create additional storage space and deliver upgraded workshop equipment to restore heritage rolling stock.

The expansion will also enable Bendigo Tramways to increase the number of trams they restore, creating more jobs and generating economic activity in Central Victoria.

The release of the tender follows a period of community consultation and design work for the project, with a high-level concept design for the expansion presented to the community last year.

This feedback led to the design being further refined, with locals given another chance to provide their comments and input, particularly on the new storage facilities and how construction impacts can be minimised.

The feedback received was then taken into account when putting together the detailed development plan and informed the planning approvals process.

Contractors interested in the tender can apply online at the City of Greater Bendigo's e-procure site: eprocare.com.au/Bendigo

Works on the project are scheduled to get underway later this year.

Quote attributable to Minister for Transport Infrastructure and Member for Bendigo East Jacinta Allan

"The expansion of Bendigo Tramways will enable our historic trams to be restored and preserved for the future – and the release of this tender means works on the project are another step closer to getting underway."

Quote attributable to Member for Bendigo West Maree Edwards

"I encourage local contractors to apply for the tender to deliver this project, which will help the iconic Bendigo institution expand their operations so they can continue to deliver a world class service into the future."

Quote attributable to Minister for Regional Development Mary Anne Thomas

"The expansion of Bendigo Tramways will support skilled jobs in the Bendigo area and give more people the opportunity to learn unique skills that will help to preserve Victoria's transport history."

Quote attributable to City of Greater Bendigo Mayor Andrea Metcalf

"As a project partner the City of Greater Bendigo will lead the delivery of the Bendigo Tramways expansion, bringing local expertise to the project that will benefit Bendigo and the surrounding area for years to come."

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