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Mr HORAN (Toowoomba South—NPA) (Leader of the Opposition) (10.19 a.m.): Today we see reports that the state government has agreed to honour conditions relating to the Brisbane City Council on the Lang Park redevelopment. This is particularly interesting because since the ministerial call-in of the development application we saw a line drawn through so many of those regulations in the particular council process. The Premier and Mr Barton have been determined to push this development through come hell or high water—and it might be high water, because one of the proposals they drew a line through was the regulation regarding flood levels for a one in 100-year flood—the Q100 regulation.

What particular conditions are they going to honour? These are some of the conditions they actually removed. They removed a condition that the government submit a transport management plan to council for approval and that they adopt and implement the provisions of council's approved transport management plan. There was total removal of a condition that a design plan be submitted for council approval of the northern and southern plazas of the development, which includes pedestrian linkages, integration with community sports facilities, community purpose facilities on non-event days—for example, Meals on Wheels and local schools—and park infrastructure.

They also removed the condition that council provide any comments on issues to be addressed prior to construction commencing. They removed a condition that a detailed design plan be provided to the stadium management advisory committee and the community liaison group for comment. A line was drawn through a condition that all new proposed buildings be constructed in accordance with council guidelines to ensure that finished floor levels are above the Q100 flood level standard. A condition was removed that government submit to council for approval an environmental management plan for the construction phase and a separate environmental management plan for the operational phase of the development. The government removed conditions that the government obtain approval from the council of both plans, and that they adopt and implement the provisions of the council approved environmental management plan.

Time expired.
