## **ORDINARY MEETING**

## **OF**

## **REGULATORY PROCESSES COMMITTEE**

## **LATE AGENDA**

Time: 01:00 pm

Date: Thursday, 23 June 2016 Venue: Committee Room 1

Ground Floor, Council Offices

**101 Wakefield Street** 

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#### 2. General Business

### ROAD CLOSURE FOR THE WELLINGTON NIGHT MARKET

## **Purpose**

 To seek approval of the Regulatory Processes Committee for the temporary closure of roads in Wellington City for events.

## Summary

- The Wellington City Council has received an application from the event organiser of the Wellington Night Market to close the following streets on Saturday's only from 2 July to 30 July 2016 from 3pm to 11.30pm
  - a) Manners Street (between Taranaki Street and Cuba Street)
  - b) Cuba Street (between Manners Street and Wakefield Street)
- Manners Street will still be accesible to buses.

#### Recommendations

That the Regulatory Processes Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree to close **Manners Street** (between Taranaki Street and Cuba Street) and **Cuba Street** (between Manners Street and Wakefield Street) to vehicles (except buses on Manners St) and cyclists only, from 3.00pm to 11.30pm for the purpose of holding the Wellington Night Market, on the following dates:
  - a) Saturday 2 July 2016,
  - b) Saturday 9 July 2016,
  - c) Saturday 16 July 2016,
  - d) Saturday 23 July 2016,
  - e) Saturday 30 July 2016.
- 3. Agree that the proposed road closures on **Manners Street** (between Taranaki Street and Cuba Street) and **Cuba Street** (between Manners Street and Wakefield Street) are subject to the detailed closures and conditions listed in the Proposed Temporary Road Closure Impact Report (attachment 1).
- 4. Note that any amendments to the recommendations in this report will require further consultation with affected parties and verification from the Council's traffic engineer.

### **Background**

4. The Council receives numerous requests throughout the year for public roads to be closed for events. These requests are processed and a detailed traffic impact report is prepared in accordance with the procedures that were approved by the Committee on 15 December 2010.

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### **Discussion**

5. This is one of many road closure requests for different events that are brought to the Committee from time to time for consideration. All the information is in the impact report attached.

## **Attachments**

Attachment 1. Night Market

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## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### **Consultation and Engagement**

Affected stakeholders were notified of the Council's intention to consider the proposed temporary road closures through and advertisement in the Dominion Post. This advertisement requests the public to make submissions on the proposed road closures.

The New Zealand Police and the Ministry of Transport have been consulted with.

Any correspondence received in response to the proposed closures from stakeholders or the Agencies have been included in the attached impact report.

Approval of a traffic management plan for the event will address and show how any objections raised are to be managed.

The proposed event supports the Council's strategy of being the "Events Capital" and will contribute to the economic success of the city.

#### **Treaty of Waitangi considerations**

There are no Treaty of Waitangi implications

#### Financial implications

The administration of events is managed under project C481. There are no unforseen costs associated with these events.

#### Policy and legislative implications

A council Traffic Engineer has assessed the proposed closures with regard to the expected impact on traffic. The Traffic engineer has provided a professional opinion as to whether the resulting impact on traffic is likely to be resonable or unreasonable.

The Proposed closures, if implemented according to an approved traffic management plan and in accordance with specific conditions set by the Traffic Engineer, will enable the safe running of the events and minimise the impact on traffic. If, in the opinion of the Council, the closure, may impede or does impede traffic unreasonably, then the approval granted by the Council may be revoked and the event organiser may be required to open the road at the directions of the Council's Traffic Engineer.

#### Risks / legal

There are no risks or legal implications.

#### Climate Change impact and considerations

There are no impacts to climate change or any further considerations.

#### Communications Plan

Road Closures will be advertised in the Dominion Post and affected parties will be notified by the event organiser in the ways set out in the conditions included in the attached impact report.

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#### PROPOSED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - IMPACT REPORT

#### WELLINGTON NIGHT MARKET

#### 2 JULY 2016 TO 30 JULY 2016

#### 1. Description of Event

The current organisers would like to build on the success of the Wellington Night Markets by extending the programme through 2016.

This event has already been running for the last 12 months and has received a lot of support from residents, retailers and members of the public.

The event organisers have established this event on the premise of:

- A popular place where people can come every week, to find something new, to try something different to eat, to shop, to play and to enjoy.
- . The Coolest Street in Wellington, in the Coolest Capital of the World.

Generally businesses and residents support the ongoing operation of a night market.

The proposed road closure is for:

- Manners Street (between Taranaki Street and Cuba Street)
- Cuba Street (between Manners Street and Wakefield Street)

2 July to 30 July 2016 from 3pm to 11.30pm including set up and break down.

Road closure notification boards will be placed at each end of the closure at least one week prior to the event.

The event will be managed by a qualified temporary traffic management company. Pedestrians access will not be restricted and emergency services will have immediate access to the area if required.

#### 2. Events Directorate Support

The Events Directorate has no connection with, and no objection to this event.

#### 3. Proposal Notice and Consultation

The public notice advertising that the Council is proposing to consider this closure was published in the following newspaper:

Dominion Post Saturday 25 June 2016

The New Zealand Police and the Ministry of Transport have also been consulted with.

#### 4. Objections

There have been NO objections to this closure request.

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#### 5. Traffic Impact Assessment

#### **Prior Closures**

None of the proposed closures for this event will result in a road being closed for an aggregate of more than 31 days in any year.

#### **Traffic Impact**

In the opinion of Stephen Harte, Implementation Manager Network Improvements, acting as the Council's Traffic Engineer, the proposed closure, if implemented according to the plans provided, is not likely to impede traffic unreasonably subject to the conditions stated below. However, the Council reserves the right to modify this opinion at any time. If, in the opinion of the Council, the closure may or does impede traffic unreasonably, any approval granted by the Temporary Road Closures subcommittee may be revoked and the event organiser may be required to re-open the road at the direction of a suitably qualified Council officer in charge of traffic. Conditions:

- The road closures will start at 3pm and finish at 11.30pm each Saturday. The event organiser is
  to obtain Council approval on the details of a traffic management plan prior to the event.
- The detour route is to be clearly signed during road closures.
- Only authorised vehicles will be allowed within the road closure area, travelling at no more than walking speed (3km/h) to ensure public safety is not compromised.
- The event organiser will publicise the event via media releases, letter drops and advanced signage to notify the public of the road closures. The event organiser is responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the temporary traffic management plan during the road closures.
- The event organiser is to ensure buses are able to enter Manners St during the road closure timeframe.
- The event organiser is responsible for maintaining public safety within the Road closure area.

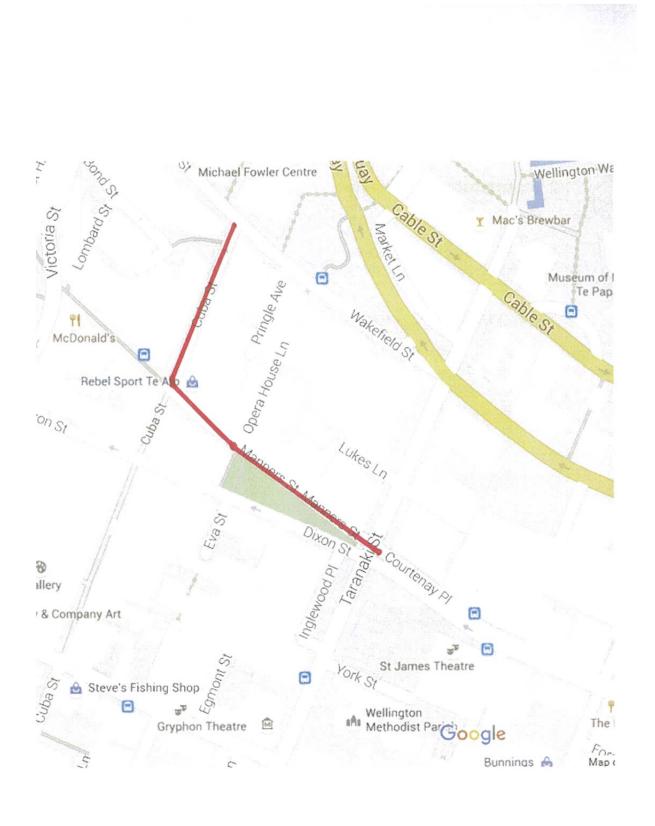
The event organiser is to consult and gain approval from the emergency services on the road closure and provide access for emergency vehicles.

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#### 6. Attachments

- Map of proposed closure
- · Copy of proposal notice from the newspaper

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# Proposed Road Closure

## **Wellington Night Market**

Road Closure Manners Street (Taranaki St to Cuba St) Saturdays Only 2 July 2016 to 30 July 2016 Manners Street (Taranaki St to Cuba St) Cuba Street (Manners St to Wakefield St)

Any person objecting to a proposed road closure must contact the City Council in writing before 4pm, 1 July 2016. Please send correspondence to Maria Taumaa, at mailing address below, by fax to 801 3009 or by email maria.taumaa@wcc.govt.nz

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