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**MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL 2011**

**5.31PM – 5.34PM**

**5.43PM – 6.17 PM**

**6.19PM- 7:30 PM**

**Council Chamber  
First Floor, Town Hall  
Wakefield Street  
Wellington**

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**PRESENT:**

Mayor Wade-Brown (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Best (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Cook (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Coughlan (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Eagle (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Foster (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Gill (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Lester (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor McKinnon (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Marsh (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Morrison (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Pannett (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Pepperell (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)  
Councillor Ritchie (5.31pm – 5.34pm, 5.43pm – 6.17pm and 6.19pm– 7.30pm)

**DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Svea Cunliffe-Steel – City Secretary  
Fiona Dunlop – Committee Adviser  
Maleik Edwards – Committee Adviser  
Kirstin Harvey – Team Leader, Meeting Support  
Laura Pilgrim – Committee Adviser

025/11C **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING**  
(1215/11/IM)

**Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor McKinnon, the motion that the meeting be adjourned until public participation for the Council meeting is completed.**

**The motion was put:**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Nil.

Majority Vote: 15:0

**The motion was put and declared CARRIED.**

**RESOLVED:**

*THAT Council:*

- 1. Adjourn the Extraordinary Council meeting until the completion of public participation for the Ordinary Council meeting.*

(The meeting adjourned at 5.34pm and reconvened at 5.43pm. Present when the meeting reconvened was Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.)

026/11C **APOLOGIES**  
(1215/11/IM)

**NOTED:**

There were no apologies.

027/11C **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
(1215/11/IM)

Mike Mellor addressed the Council and informed them that he had sat on the Regional Transport Committee when it debated and adopted the multi-modal N2A plan in 2008. NZTA's understanding of the plan, as outlined in Mr. Dangerfield's letter to the Mayor on 12 April 2011 differed from the plan approved by the Committee in 2008. The letter requested that the Council committed to a unilateral revised plan as opposed to the plan

which had been initially proposed. Mr. Mellor urged the Council to support the multi-modal N2A plan as submitted, written and adopted.

Tony Randle made representations to the Council on behalf of the Johnsonville Residents Association. Mr. Randle informed the Council that there had been a significant growth in the population of Wellington since the 1930s and there were now more cars than people in the city. The Council was urged to work with NZTA and other partners on finding a multi-modal solution to congestion.

Peter Brooks, on behalf of Wellington Civic Trust addressed the Council. Members were urged to confirm their support for a multi-modal approach. Whilst there was support for the broader aspects of the policy there was still a need to evaluate the options balanced with the commitment to reduce carbon emissions. Mr. Brooks also highlighted the need for an environmental impact study and consultation with those affected by the proposals.

Kay Weir, representing the Pacific Institute of Resource Management, addressed the Council. It was now no longer possible to rely on cheap and plentiful petrol. Whilst there were alternatives such as electric cars and bio fuel they also had their associated problems. Public transport options had to be addressed in order to resolve current transport issues. Ms. Weir posed the question as to whether or not NZTA's ambitions were reflective the current time especially in the light of climate change. It was vital that the Council avoided ruling out a light rail route.

Jan Logie addressed the Council on behalf of the New Zealand Centre for Sustainable Cities. Ms. Logie advised the Council that she felt that the NZTA had a narrow mandate in relation to the matter before them. A balance had to be sought between moving people between places and the needs of the environment. In Ms. Logie's opinion the letter that had been sent to the Mayor had been an attempt to undermine local democracy. The role of the Council was to protect and strengthen the city and multi-modal options were the best way to carry out this role.

028/11C **DEPUTATIONS**  
(1215/11/IM)

**NOTED:**

There were no deputations.

029/11C **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR**  
(1215/11/IM)

There were no announcements.

030/11C **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**  
(1215/11/IM)

**NOTED:**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

031/11C **CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL POSITION ON NGAURANGA  
TO WELLINGTON AIRPORT CORRIDOR PLAN AND STATE  
HIGHWAY PROJECTS (6.08PM – 7.30PM)**  
Report of Tass Larsen, Principal Advisor Transport Strategy  
(1215/11/IM)

**Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Best, substantive motion, amended as follows:**

THAT Council:

2. *Agree to the following statements that reflect Wellington City Council's current policy position on the Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan:*
  - (c) *The Council supports, subject to confirmation of need and design options, **delivery of improvements to Wellington Road, Ruahine Street, and the duplication of the Mt Victoria and the Terrace Tunnels.***
3. *Agree that Wellington City Council:*
  - (c) ***Will participate in the NZTA committee on public consultation and agree to appoint the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Portfolio Leader Transport (PT & Roothing) and Portfolio Leader, Community Engagement as council's representatives.***
7. *Note that NZTA yesterday confirmed funding for the high quality public transport feasibility study contained in the Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan.*

**Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Cook, the following amendment to the motion:**

*Delete recommendations 2-9 and replace recommendation 3 with the following:*

3. *That Wellington City Council undertake full public consultation with the people of Wellington, on the New Zealand Transport Agency's option(s), intention, and designs, routes, property and Town Belt and Basin Reserve impacts of their roading proposal(s) prior to any decision by Council "to confirm (or otherwise) Wellington City Council's position on Wellington RONS (Road of National Significance) transport improvements for State Highway One, south of Ngauranga.*

(The Meeting adjourned at 6.17 pm and reconvened at 6.19pm)

**The amendment was put:**

Voting for: Councillors Cook, Foster, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Eagle, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison,

Majority Vote: 5:10

**The amendment to the motion was declared LOST.**

**The substantive motion recommendation 1 was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Nil.

Majority Vote: 15:0

**The substantive motion was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion recommendation 2(a) was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison and Pepperell

Voting against: Councillors Cook, Pannett and Ritchie.

Majority Vote: 12:3

**The substantive motion was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion recommendation 2(b) was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh and Morrison

Voting against: Councillors Cook, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority Vote: 11:4

**The substantive motion was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion, as amended, recommendation 2(c) was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Eagle, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh and Morrison

Voting against: Councillors Cook, Foster, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Majority Vote: 10:5

**The substantive motion, as amended was declared CARRIED .**

**The substantive motion recommendation 2(d) was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Nil.

Majority Vote: 15:0

**The substantive motion was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion recommendation 3(a) was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Cook and Pannett.

Majority Vote: 13:2

**The substantive motion was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion recommendation 3(b) was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Councillors Cook and Pannett.

Majority Vote: 13:2

**The substantive motion was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion, as amended, recommendation 3(c) was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Nil.

Majority Vote: 15:0

**The substantive motion, as amended, was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion recommendations 4,6,7,8 and 9, as amended, were put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Nil.

Majority Vote: 15:0

**The substantive motion, as amended, was declared CARRIED.**

**The substantive motion recommendation 5 was put .**

Voting for: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillors Ahipene-Mercer, Best, Cook, Coughlan, Eagle, Foster, Gill, Lester, McKinnon, Marsh, Morrison, Pannett, Pepperell and Ritchie.

Voting against: Nil.

Majority Vote: 15:0

The substantive motion, as amended, was declared **CARRIED**.

**RESOLVED:**

THAT Council:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree to the following statements that reflect Wellington City Council's current policy position on the Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan:*
  - (a) *The Council supports the underlying premise that the transport issues within Wellington City can only be addressed by the implementation of a multi-modal package that includes improved state highway roading capacity as well as improved public transport and the effective implementation of walking and cycling measures.*
  - (b) *The Council supports the delivery of peak period lanes on State Highway 1 between Ngauranga and Aotea Quay, and improvements around the Basin Reserve to separate north/south flows from east/west traffic.*
  - (c) *The Council supports, subject to confirmation of need and design options, **delivery of** improvements to Wellington Road, Ruahine Street, and the duplication of the Mt Victoria and the Terrace Tunnels.*
  - (d) *The Council supports the provision of public transport improvements, and travel demand management, walking and cycling measures.*
3. *Agree that Wellington City Council:*
  - (a) *Strongly supports the requirement for public consultation on the proposed New Zealand Transport Agency projects on State Highway 1; and*
  - (b) *Will be an active and supportive partner during the consultation phase of these projects to assist the New Zealand Transport Agency to establish the views and preferences of Wellingtonians on the proposed State Highway improvements.*
  - (c) ***Will participate in the NZTA committee on public consultation and agree to appoint the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Portfolio Leader Transport (PT & Roding) and Portfolio Leader, Community Engagement as council's representatives.***

4. *Note that the projects in the Wellington RoNS south of Ngauranga are contained within the Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan.*
5. *Request the New Zealand Transport Agency to provide Council with a briefing on the preferred options for the Wellington RoNS projects within the Wellington City Council area at the earliest opportunity.*
6. *Note that the Council will have the opportunity to comment on the details of particular New Zealand Transport Agency projects through the public consultation and regulatory processes.*
7. ***Note that NZTA yesterday confirmed funding for the high quality public transport feasibility study contained in the Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan.***
8. *Note that the Council is consulting through the 2011-12 Draft Annual Plan on a number of projects that are part of the ongoing implementation of the Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan, including bus priority measures, support for walking and cycling, and the Council's contribution to the Wellington Public Transport Spine Study.*
9. *Delegate to the Mayor the authority to respond to the New Zealand Transport Agency letter dated 11 April 2011 with the views agreed by Council.*

The meeting concluded at 7.30pm.

Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_

Chair

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