

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Time: 5.36pm
Date: Wednesday, 25 February 2015
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

PRESENT

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer
Councillor Coughlan (absent 05 March 2015)
Councillor Eagle
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

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1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

No apologies were received.

1.2 Announcements by the Mayor

The Mayor congratulated Peter Tijsen for working at Wellington City Council for 50 years. Mr Tijsen is a Plant and Records Officer with the Parks, Sport and Recreation team and has

The Mayor announced a change to the order of the agenda items to be considered. Agenda item 4.1 Report of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee meeting of 17 February 2015 will be considered in advance of the other agenda items to allow Mr Bede Kearney of Audit New Zealand to speak to Councillors on the audit of the consultation document prior to Council considering this item.

1.3 APW Awards

The Mayor presented the Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian Award Citation to Vivek Kinra.

It is my pleasure to present an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian Award to Vivek Kinra, Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit, for his services to Wellington City.

Vivek is an internationally renowned dancer, choreographer and teacher of the Indian classical dance form of Bharata-Natyam.

Since 1990, Vivek has been teaching Indian dance, in Wellington. In 1992, he established the New Zealand Academy of Bharata-Natyam and is its Artistic Director. The Academy is a true success, and is recognised for both the quality of its instruction and the number of keen students of all ages it.

Vivek is also a cultural ambassador whose creative work plays an important role in teaching Wellingtonians about the value and beauty of Indian culture.

Vivek's talents are well known and respected, as evidenced by his work with organisations such as the New Zealand School of Dance, the New Zealand Drama School, Victoria University of Wellington Music Department and the Royal New Zealand Ballet.

On top of this wonderful teaching, Vivek's productions are outstanding, as reflected in the reviews he consistently receives.

"After a time, excellence becomes increasingly difficult to write about, without resorting to familiar superlatives. Kinra presents such a problem." -The Dominion, Wellington.

Vivek is an outstanding dancer, teacher, director and Wellingtonian. On behalf of the Council, I'd like to thank Vivek Kinra and declare him an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian.

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

1.4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Councillor Lester declared a conflict of interest in relation to Item 3.4 New Zealand Delegation to the United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction.

The Mayor announced a change to the order of the agenda items to be considered. Agenda item 4.1 Report of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee meeting of 17 February 2015 will be considered in advance of the other agenda items to allow Mr Bede Kearney of Audit New Zealand to speak to Councillors on the audit of the consultation document prior to Council considering this item.

1.5 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Ahipene-Mercer

Resolved

That the Council:

Approve the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 December 2014 and the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 3 February 2015, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.6 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

1.7 Public Participation

1.7.1 Thomas Morgan

Mr Morgan addressed the Council regarding disability car parks.

2. Petitions

Nil

4.1 Report of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee Meeting of 17 February 2015

Civic Precinct

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Young

The vote was taken in two parts, with Council voting on recommendation 1 first and then recommendations 2-4.

Resolved

That Council:

1. Agree to consult the community on the Civic Precinct Proposal

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

2. Agree the consultation information set out as Attachment 1, for inclusion in the Long Term Plan consultation document.
3. Adopt the information as outlined in item 2.2 of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee agenda dated 17 February 2015 for the purposes of s93G of the Local Government Act 2002.
4. Delegates to the Chief Executive and the Mayor authority to confirm the final content of the Civic Precinct Proposal consultation document.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Foster, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Eagle, Councillor Free, Councillor Peck and Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 11:4

Carried

30 Year Infrastructure Strategy

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That Council:

1. Agree to adopt the draft Infrastructure Strategy as set out in Attachment 2.
2. Agree to delegate to the Mayor and Chief Executive the authority to make editorial changes to the Infrastructure Strategy that may arise as part of the final audit review process.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Foster and Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 13:2

Carried

Supporting Information to the Consultation Document : 2015-25 Financial Strategy

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That Council:

1. Agree to the draft Financial Strategy as set out in Attachment 3, subject to any necessary amendments to obtain Audit NZ approval.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 14:1

Carried

Statements of Service provision: Our ten year plan

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That Council:

1. Agree to the levels of service, performance measures and budgets (attached as Attachment 4) and the projects and programmes budgets (attached as Attachment 5), be included in the 2015-25 draft Long-term plan.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

2015-25 Long Term Plan Other matters

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

The vote was taken in two parts, with Council voting on recommendation 1 first and then recommendations 2-3.

Resolved

That Council:

Draft Waterfront Development Plan

1. Agree to the draft Waterfront Development Plan (attached as item 2.6 of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee agenda dated 17 February 2015) for consultation concurrently with the Draft Long-term Plan, noting that consultation on the Waterfront Development Plan will seek feedback on the re-development of Frank Kitts Park.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Pannett and Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 13:2

Carried

Housing Portfolio Assessment Framework

2. Delegate to the Community, Sport and Recreation Committee (or such other Committee that may have the form and function of the present Community, Sport and Recreation Committee) the power to make decisions under the City Housing Portfolio Assessment Framework provided that:
 - a. The divestment decision is less than \$2m; and
 - b. The reinvestment of proceeds (from divestment) is in social housing
 - c. The proposal is in accordance with the City Housing Portfolio Assessment Framework (2014), the Deed of Grant for Wellington City Council's Social Housing (2008) and the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy
 - d. And that any matter for decision not meeting the requirements in a-c above, the Committee will have the power of recommendation only and the final decision will be made by Council.
3. Note the inclusion of City Housing Portfolio Assessment Framework (agreed by the Community, Sport and Recreation Committee on 18 September 2014) as a component part of the Long-term Plan 2015-25.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor

Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

Supporting Information to the Consultation Document: 2015-25 LTP Financial and Funding Policies

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That Council:

1. Agree to adopt the draft Revenue and Financing Policy (as outlined in item 2.7, attachment 1 of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee agenda dated 17 February 2015.)
2. Agree to adopt the draft Rates Remission Policy as amended at the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee on 17 February 2015, outlined in Attachment 6 as a supporting document to be consulted alongside the 2015-25 Long-term Plan consultation document.
3. Agree to adopt the draft Rates Postponement Policy (as outlined in item 2.7, attachment 4 of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee agenda dated 17 February 2015.)
4. Agree to adopt the draft Investment and Liability Management policies (as outlined in item 2.7, attachment 5 of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee agenda dated 17 February 2015.)
5. Agree to adopt the proposed fees and charges (as outlined in item 2.7, attachment 6 of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee agenda dated 17 February 2015.)

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

Supporting information to the Consultation Document: 2015-25 LTP Financial and Funding Statements

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That Council:

1. Recommend to Council that it is prudent to forecast a surplus in 2015/16, noting that the Council forecasts a balanced budget and that any surplus primarily results from the inclusion of revenue to fund capital projects.
2. Agree the Indicative Financial Statements and Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (Attachment 7) for consultation.
3. Agree the Funding Impact Statements (Attachment 8) for consultation.
4. Agree the Significant Forecasting Assumptions (included as attachment 3, item 2.8 of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee agenda dated 17 February 2015.)

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 14:1

Carried

Long Term Plan 2015-2025: Preliminary Consultation Document

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

That Council:

1. Agree to the Long-term Plan 2015-2025 Consultation Document as attached in Attachment 9.
2. Delegate to the Mayor and Chief Executive the authority to make editorial changes to the document to reflect decisions made at this meeting or requirements that might arise through audit review process.

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Lester, the following amendment to the original recommendations with the leave of the meeting.

The vote was taken on recommendations 1 -3.

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Agree to the contents of the Long-term Plan 2015-2025 Consultation Document as attached in appendix 9 (subject to the inclusion of the Audit Report required under the Local Government Act and changes made in response to the audit process).
2. Delegate to the Mayor and Chief Executive the authority to make editorial changes to the document to reflect decisions made at this meeting or requirements that might arise through the audit review process.
3. Agree to adjourn recommendation 4 to be considered at a reconvened time of 5 March 2015 at 11.00am, Committee Room 1.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

Recommendation 4 to be voted on when the Council reconvenes at 11am on 05 March 2015.

4. Agree to adopt the final consultation document, including the report from the Auditor General under section 93C(4) of the Local Government Act

The meeting adjourned at 6.39pm.

The meeting reconvened at 6.51pm.

3. General Business

3.1 Local Government Commission Proposal for Reorganisation - Wellington City Council Submission

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Woolf

Recommendations

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note that the Commission's draft reorganisation proposal has a number of significant limitations, lacks broad community support and would likely fail in any referendum.
3. Agree the submission attached as appendix 1.
4. Agree to delegate responsibility to the Mayor and Chief Executive to approve any changes to the submission arising from Council's consideration of this agenda item.

(Councillor Foster left the meeting at 06:51 pm.)

(Councillor Foster returned to the meeting at 06:57 pm.)

The meeting adjourned at 6.58pm.

The meeting re-convened at 7.00pm.

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Lester, the following amendments:

That the Council:

3. Agree the submission attached as appendix 1 **amended as follows:**

Page 9, paragraph 17 to read:

"Our preferred alternative to the status quo is ~~the metropolitan single tier model~~

(previously submitted) **one or more single tier unitary authorities**. We believe it has the ability to achieve the above criteria to a greater degree. It is significantly more efficient, members of the community will know who to approach to raise an issue, accountability of elected members is clear, and the model recognises clear distinct communities of interest.

Page 10, paragraph 19 to read:

We note that under legislation that the Commission needs to be satisfied that it has demonstrable support in each affected area before issuing a final proposal, and since it doesn't we recommend ~~that either:~~

~~a) The Commission pause the process to allow for legislative changes to be made to provide more 'tools' to the Commission, and allow alternative models to be developed by the sector that would receive greater community support and deliver the improvements that are desired~~

~~Or~~

~~b) the Commission progresses to issuing a final model but does so on the basis that the reorganisation includes a separate Wairarapa and one or more metro councils West of the Rimutakas to ensure it has a greater community support-~~

Page 17, Communities of interest – recommendations

We recommend that the Commission give greater consideration to alternative governance arrangements for the region that provides for one or more authorities recognising that each is a distinct community of interest.

Page 18 – Recommendations

Remove the first bullet point.

Add the following new amendment:

5. Note the concerns raised by the Wairarapa and Hutt Valley communities and their opposition to the Commission's proposal.

The amendment to recommendation 3 was voted in parts as follows, with the changes to Appendix 1, page 10, paragraph 19 voted on first:

Page 10, paragraph 19 to read:

We note that under legislation that the Commission needs to be satisfied that it has demonstrable support in each affected area before issuing a final proposal, and since it doesn't we recommend that :

~~a) The Commission pause the process to allow for legislative changes to be made to provide more 'tools' to the Commission, and allow alternative models to be developed by the sector that would receive greater community support and deliver the improvements that are desired~~

~~Or~~

~~b) the Commission progresses to issuing a final model but does so on the basis that the reorganisation includes a separate Wairarapa and one or more metro councils West of the Rimutakas to ensure it has a greater community support-~~

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester and Councillor Sparrow,

Voting Against: Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 4:11

Lost

The rest of the changes in the amendment to recommendation 3 and the new amendment 5 was voted on as follows:

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Peck, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Ritchie and Councillor Sparrow

Majority Vote: 10:5

Carried

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Pannett, the following amendments :

That the Council:

3. Agree the submission attached as appendix 1 amended as follows:

Page 10, paragraph 19 to read:

We note that under legislation that the Commission needs to be satisfied that it has demonstrable support in each affected area before issuing a final proposal, and since it doesn't we recommend that either:

~~a) The Commission pause the process to allow for legislative changes to be made to provide more 'tools' to the Commission, and allow alternative models to be developed by the sector that would receive greater community support and deliver the improvements that are desired~~

~~Or~~

the Commission abandons its current proposal and considers and consults on an alternative which has a separate Wairarapa Council and one or more metropolitan Councils which may or may not be unitary entities.

Amend recommendation 5:

5. **Note Support** the concerns raised by the Wairarapa and Hutt Valley communities and their opposition to the Commission's proposal.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow and , Councillor Woolf

Voting Against: Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Ritchie and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 11:4

Carried

Moved Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, seconded Councillor Peck, the following amendment:

That the Council:

3. Agree the submission attached as appendix 1 **amended as follows**:

Page 10, paragraph 19 to read:

We note that under legislation that the Commission needs to be satisfied that it has demonstrable support in each affected area before issuing a final proposal, and since it doesn't we recommend the Commission ~~abandons~~ **reconsiders** its current proposal and considers and consults on an alternative which has a separate Wairarapa Council and one or more metropolitan Councils which may or may not be unitary entities.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Foster and Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 13:2

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8.13pm.

The meeting reconvened at 8.21pm.

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Sparrow

In accordance with standing order 3.16.2(c) the motion under debate was put to the vote.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 14:1

Carried

The substantive motion was put in parts, with recommendation 5 voted on first, and then recommendations 1- 4, voted on as follows:

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note that the Commission's draft reorganisation proposal has a number of significant limitations, lacks broad community support and would likely fail in any referendum.

3. Agree the submission attached as appendix 1 **amended as follows:**

Page 9, paragraph 17 to read:

Our preferred alternative to the status quo is **one or more single tier unitary authorities**. We believe it has the ability to achieve the above criteria to a greater degree. It is significantly more efficient, members of the community will know who to approach to raise an issue, accountability of elected members is clear, and the model recognises clear distinct communities of interest.

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We note that under legislation that the Commission needs to be satisfied that it has demonstrable support in each affected area before issuing a final proposal, and since it doesn't we recommend **the Commission reconsiders its current proposal and considers and consults on an alternative which has a separate Wairarapa Council and one or more metropolitan Councils which may or may not be unitary entities.**

Page 17, Communities of interest – recommendations

We recommend that the Commission give greater consideration to alternative governance arrangements for the region that provides for one or more authorities recognising that each is a distinct community of interest.

Page 18 – Recommendations

Remove the first bullet point.

4. Agree to delegate responsibility to the Mayor and Chief Executive to approve any changes to the submission arising from Council's consideration of this agenda item.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Ritchie and Councillor Sparrow

Majority Vote: 13:2

Carried

5. **Support the concerns raised by the Wairarapa and Hutt Valley communities and their opposition to the Commission's proposal.**

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow and , Councillor Woolf

Voting Against: Councillor Ahipene-Mercer and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 13:2

Carried

3.2 Te Awarua o Porirua Whaitua Committee

Moved Councillor Lester, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note GWRC considered the terms of reference and appointments at their Council meeting on 10 December 2014.
3. Agree the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee Terms of Reference and the delegations outlined in the terms of reference that are included as appendix one.
4. Nominate and agree to appoint Councillor Sparrow as the Wellington City appointee to the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee.
5. Agree in accordance with clause 30(7) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act, that the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee is not deemed to be discharged following each triennial election.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

3.3 Wellington Town Belt Bill

Moved Councillor Ritchie, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Approve the changes set out in Attachment 1 to the version of the Wellington Town Belt Bill that was approved by the Council on 30 September 2014.
3. Delegate to the Chief Executive authority to prepare and finalise an Explanatory Note to accompany the Bill.
4. Instruct officers to take all necessary steps to promote the following legislative changes by way of an annual Statutes Amendment Bill:
 - a. Amend section 4 of the Wellington City Reserves Act 1871 by omitting the words "Providing that one half of the moneys derived from such lands shall be devoted to the ornamentation and utilisation of the land referred to in the Schedules to this Act and no other purposes. Provided also that the other half of such moneys shall be devoted to the construction and maintenance of roads upon the town belt

described in Schedule 1 of this Act connecting the streets of the said city with the country roads and to no other purpose".

- b. Repeal the Wellington City Reserves Act 1872 and section 37 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act 1938 (1938 No 19).

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

3.4 New Zealand Delegation to the United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

Councillor Lester declared a conflict of interest in relation to this item and did not take part in any discussion or voting on this item.

(Councillor Lester left the Council table at 08:37 pm.)

Moved Councillor Sparrow, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree that the Deputy Mayor accept the invitation and represent the city at the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction to be held in Sendai, Japan from 14 – 18 March 2015.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

(Councillor Lester returned to the Council table at 08:41 pm.)

3.5 Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement

Moved Councillor Free, seconded Mayor Wade-Brown

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree to the resolution below , encouraging the government to conclude negotiations on the Trans-Pacific Partnership and Free Trade Agreements in a way that provides net positive benefits for Wellington City and New Zealand and achieves the following objectives:
 - i. Continues to allow Wellington City Council and other Councils, if they so choose, to adopt procurement policies that provide for a degree of local preference; to choose whether particular services or facilities are provided in house, by council-controlled organisations or by contracting out; or to require higher health and safety, environmental protection, employment rights and conditions, community participation, animal protection or human rights standards than national or international minimum standards;
 - ii. Maintains good diplomatic and trade relations and partnerships for Wellington and New Zealand with other major trading partners not included in the agreement including with China;
 - iii. Provides substantially increased access for our agriculture exports, particularly those into the US Market;
 - iv. Does not undermine PHARMAC, raise the cost of medical treatments and medicines or threaten public health activities, such as tobacco control;
 - v. Ensures that domestic investors and suppliers are not disadvantaged or given lesser rights than overseas investors or suppliers. This includes an introduction of the Investor-State Dispute Settlement, or any reduction in local or national government ability to control overseas investment and finance;
 - vi. Does not expand intellectual property rights and enforcement in excess of current law;
 - vii. Does not weaken our public services, require privatisation, hinder reversal of privatisations, or increase the commercialization of Government, Wellington City Council or other local government organisations;
 - viii. Does not reduce our flexibility to support local economic and industry development and encourage good employment and environmental practices and initiatives;
 - ix. Contains enforceable labour clauses requiring adherence to core International Labour Organisation conventions and preventing reduction of labour rights for trade or investment advantage;
 - x. Contains enforceable environmental clauses preventing reduction of environmental and biosecurity standards for trade or investment advantage;
 - xi. Has general exemptions to protect human rights, the environment, the Treaty of Waitangi, and New Zealand's economic and financial stability;

- xii. Has been negotiated with real public consultation including regular public releases of drafts of the text of the agreement, and ratification being conditional on a full social, environmental, and economic impact assessment including public submissions.”

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Pannett and Councillor Ritchie,

Voting Against: Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, Councillor Woolf and Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 8:7

Carried

4. Committee Reports

4.2 Report of the Regulatory Processes Committee Meeting of 12 February 2015

Proposed Road Stopping - Land Adjacent to 105 Jubilee Road, Khandallah

Moved Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, seconded Councillor Foster

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Agrees that approximately 95m² of unformed legal road land on Jubilee Road, Khandallah (the **Land**), adjoining 105 Jubilee Road, Khandallah (being Lot 2 DP 10359, CFR WN523/85) is not required for a public work.
2. Authorises Council officers to initiate the road stopping process for the Land in accordance with Section 342 and the Tenth Schedule of the Local Government Act 1974 (**LGA**).
3. Authorises Council officers to undertake a section 40 Public Works Act 1981 (**PWA**) report to identify whether the Land must be offered back to its former owner or their successors, or whether exemptions from offer back apply.
4. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to either offer the Land back to its former owner(s) or their successor(s), or to approve the exercise of exemptions from offer back under section 40(2), 40(3), or 40(4) PWA (if appropriate).
5. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to formally approve the road stopping, issue all relevant public notices, declare the Land stopped, negotiate the terms of sale or exchange, impose any reasonable covenants, enter into an agreement in respect of the Land, and conclude all matters in relation to this transaction.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Coughlan, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee,

Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9.08pm on Wednesday, 25 February 2015 to reconvene at 11am on Thursday, 05 March 2015.

Thursday, 05 March 2015

The meeting reconvened at 11.03am on Thursday, 05 March 2015.

1 Meeting Conduct

1.8 Apologies

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Foster

Resolved

That the Council:

Accept the apologies received from Councillor Coughlan.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Ritchie, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Nil

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

1.9 Announcements by the Mayor

The Mayor thanked all the staff involved in the work done on the Long-term Plan. In particular, the contributions of the following staff were acknowledged:

- Su Mon
- Brendan Eckert
- Paul Johnson
- Marissa Cairncross
- Marty Read

The Mayor also advised that Mr Bede Kearney from Audit NZ is in attendance to speak on the audit of the 2015-2025 Long-term plan consultation document prior to Council considering this item.

1.10 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflict of interest declarations in relation to the item for consideration on 05 March 2015.

4.1 Report of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee Meeting of 17 February 2015

Long Term Plan 2015-2025: Preliminary Consultation Document

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Young

Resolved

That the Council:

4. Agree to adopt the final consultation document, including the report from the Auditor General under section 93C(4) of the Local Government Act.

Voting For: Mayor Wade-Brown, Councillor Ahipene-Mercer, Councillor Eagle, Councillor Foster, Councillor Free, Councillor Lee, Councillor Lester, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Peck, Councillor Sparrow, and Councillor Woolf, Councillor Young

Voting Against: Councillor Ritchie

Majority Vote: 13:1

Carried

The meeting concluded at 11.24 am.

Confirmed: _____
Chair