
ORDINARY MEETING

OF

LONG-TERM AND ANNUAL PLAN COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Time: 9:30am
Date: Thursday, 15 June 2017
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

PRESENT

Mayor Lester
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Calvi-Freeman
Councillor Dawson
Councillor Day
Councillor Eagle (Chair)
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Gilbert
Councillor Lee
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

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1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

No apologies were received.

1.2 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interests declared.

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Councillor Eagle, seconded Mayor Lester

Resolved

That the Long-term and Annual Plan Committee:

1. Approve the minutes of the Long-term and Annual Plan Committee Meeting held on 6 April 2017, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.4 Public Participation

No requests for public participation were received.

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

No items not on the agenda were received.

2. General Business

(Councillor Dawson left the meeting at 10:30 am.)

(Councillor Dawson returned to the meeting at 10:32 am.)

2.1 2017/18 Annual Plan – Results of Engagement and Key Funding Requests

Moved Councillor Calvert, seconded Councillor Woolf

Recommendations

That the Long-term and Annual Plan Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note that the budget changes and funding implications arising from recommendations in this report can be delivered from within the existing rates increase envelope of 3.3%, and that other offsetting impacts are covered in a separate report on this agenda (Report 3:Recommended Adoption of 2017/18 Annual Plan)

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3. Note the process and communication and engagement tools used for the 2017/18 Annual Plan and Triennium Plan as outlined in Appendix 1.
 4. Receive the formal written submissions on the Annual Plan and Triennium Plan, and note the additional community feedback received through the annual plan forums, social media channels and research as outlined in Appendix 2.
 5. Note that some of the projects outlined in recommendation 6 had provisional budgets allocated at the time the draft consultation document was prepared in March, and officers have undertaken further work to refine projects and the wider the budget programme since that time.
 6. Agree the following project and budget changes from the draft for inclusion in the final 2017/18 Annual Plan (as outlined in clauses 34-50 in this report):
 - a) Living Wage – an additional \$1.1m opex for 2017/18 for implementing the new \$20.20 per hour Living Wage rate for contractors, Council Controlled Organisations as well as wage relativity for Council staff (bringing the total increase to \$1.89m for 2017/18)
 - b) Royal NZ Ballet – a new budget provision of \$3.47m capex and associated \$427k opex for temporary accommodation for the Royal NZ Ballet at the Hutchison Te Whaea site
 - c) Supported Living – removal of \$75k opex for the development of a business case for supported living for the homeless, as this work has been significantly advanced since March and this budget is no longer required in 2017/18, noting that the business case and any funding considerations around establishment will be brought to committee in 2017/18.
 7. Agree to proceed with the following projects within existing budgets (as outlined in clauses 34-48 in this report):
 - a) Cycling – use existing cycling budgets and carry forward to undertake detailed planning for the Island Bay Cycleway in 2017/18 (note that actual build costs may require further funding).
 - b) Second Tier sports / events– support second tier sports and events through the City Growth Fund.
 - c) LED lighting – prioritise existing transport capital budgets and carry forwards to secure NZTA subsidy to replace the city's street lights to LED.
 8. Note that the three 'On the Horizon' projects (Seismic Building Intelligence System, More Resilient Homes, and Reduction in Antisocial Street Activity) are still in progress and detailed programmes of work will be brought to the City Strategy Committee in 2017 with funding to be considered as part of the 2018 Long term Plan.
 9. Agree that all other 'new initiatives' consulted on in the 2017/18 Annual Plan engagement document be included in the final 2017/18 Annual Plan.
 10. Note the additional funding requests from submitters as outlined in Appendix 3.
 11. Agree the recommendations regarding submitter funding requests as outlined in Appendix 3.
 12. Note that a number of submitters wanted to see greater reference to Wellington's food craft beer and coffee culture reflected in the Triennium Plan and agree to recognise that sector in the final Triennium Plan to be adopted at Council on 28 June.

(Councillor Free left the meeting at 11:23 am.)

Moved Mayor Lester, seconded Councillor Foster , the following amendment:
That the Long-term and Annual Plan Committee:

7. Agree to proceed with the following projects within existing budgets (as outlined in clauses 34-48 in this report):
 - d) **Predator Free Wellington – increase budget provision from \$40k to \$125K for 2017/18.**
13. **Note that decision-making papers are expected on several papers including:**
 - a. **Victoria University Wellington Land Acquisition – Karori Pool Carpark**
 - b. **Jack Ilott Green in the context of planning for Civic Square and Central City Parks**
 - c. **Site 9 Waterfront**
 - d. **LED lighting implementation
and a briefing on:**
 - e. **St. James Theatre earthquake strengthening**
 - f. **NZ Ballet accommodation.**

Accepted by leave of the meeting

(Councillor Free returned to the meeting at 11:26 am.)

The substantive was taken in parts and voted on as follows:

Recommendations 1. to 13. excluding 6.a. were put and declared

Carried

Recommendation 6.a was put and a division was called.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Mayor Lester
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Calvi-Freeman
Councillor Dawson
Councillor Day
Councillor Eagle (Chair)
Councillor Free
Councillor Gilberd
Councillor Lee
Councillor Sparrow

Against:

Councillor Foster
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 10:5

Carried

Moved Councillor Calvert, seconded Councillor Woolf

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Carried

2.2 2017/18 Annual Plan: Fees and Charges and Other Funding Considerations

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Young, the amended Officer's recommendations.

Resolved

That the Long-term and Annual Plan Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note that changes to Resource Management Act fees will be consulted on with the public through a special consultative procedure within the next few months, and presented to Council for application by 18 October 2017.
3. Note that establishing a new hourly fee for parking within the Central Business District as set out in this report, will be progressed by the City Strategy Committee in accordance with Council's separate process for developing resolutions under the Traffic Bylaw.
4. Recommend to Council to adopt the fees and charges (excluding Parking fee changes) in attachment 1.
5. **Recommend to Council to note the Annual Planning Committee support and**

endorsement of the propose change to parking fees noting this needs to be implemented through the City Strategy Committee.

- 5.6. Recommend to Council to include in the 2017/18 Annual Plan, a Rates Remission for First Home Builders of up to a maximum of \$5,000 (including GST) subject to conditions and criteria outlined in attachment 2.
- 6.7. Recommend to Council to include in the 2017/18 Annual Plan Rating Mechanisms, a targeted rate totalling \$95,000 (excluding GST) to be applied to the commercial rated properties in the Tawa Business Improvement District Area, as outlined in attachment 3.
- 7.8. Recommend to Council to maintain the general rate differential at 2.8:1 (Commercial:Base) in the 2017/18 Annual Plan Rating Mechanisms, as outlined in attachment 3.
- 8.9. Note that the existing Development Contributions Policy adopted by Council on 24 June 2015, effective from 1 July 2015, will apply until it is reviewed again within the three-year statutory time limit.
- 9.10. Note that any decisions and recommendations made by the Long-term and Annual Plan Committee at the 15 June 2017 meeting, will be incorporated into the Financial and Funding Statements and Funding Impact Statements included as part of the 2017/18 Annual Plan.

Carried

2.3 2017/18 Annual Plan Recommend Adoption to Council

Moved Mayor Lester, seconded Councillor Eagle

Resolved

That the Long-term and Annual Plan Committee recommends to Council :

1. Agree the projects and programmes budgets, the Forecast Funding Impact Statements and the schedule of fees and charges attached to this report (noting that any changes arising as part of these deliberations will be incorporated into the final statements presented to Council).
2. Agree that officers prepare the 2017/18 Annual Plan based on the 2017/18 Annual Plan engagement document and reflect any changes agreed at this meeting of the Long-term Plan and Annual Plan Committee (15 June 2017).
3. Note that the annual plan proposal results in an overall net rates increase of 3.3% from 2016/17 compared to 5.1% in the Long-term Plan.

Carried

The meeting concluded at 12:13 pm.

Confirmed: _____
Chair