

MINUTES

MONDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2006

6.02PM

**Committee Room One
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield St
Wellington**

PRESENT:

David Gordon (Chair)
Councillor Armstrong
Councillor Goulden (6.07 – 7.22pm, 7.30 – 9.29pm.)
Councillor Ruben (6.02 – 9.05pm.)
Graeme McIndoe
Judie O'Connell
Ken Davis
Mark Te One

IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Ahipene-Mercer (6.02 – 7.50pm.)
Councillor Pepperell (7.09 – 7.31pm, 7.36 – 8.15pm, 8.20 – 8.52pm.)

APOLOGIES:

Mayor Prendergast
Councillor Shaw
Gordon Holden

023/06SW **APOLOGIES**
(1215/52/04/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

1. *Accept apologies for absence from Mayor Prendergast, Councillor Shaw, and Gordon Holden.*
2. *Accept apologies for lateness from Councillor Goulden.*

024/06SW **MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION**
(1215/52/04/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

1. *Approve the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Monday 26 June 2006, having been circulated be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting, with resolution 015/06SW **amended as in bold below.***

**015/06SW ORAL SUBMISSIONS TO THE WATERFRONT
DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE 2006/07 DRAFT
WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

(1215/52/04/IM)

(REPORT 1)

NOTED:

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4. *Clive Lewis criticised WWL and the subcommittee for approving a design for the OPT redevelopment that reduced the parking available for berth-holders at Chaffer's marina. Mr Lewis compared the parking available at Chaffer's with that available at Mana and Seaview marinas. He requested that more car-parks be made available after re-development on the wharf ~~or that proposed parking under the wharf be made available to berth-holders~~ **and that parking be provided within the building on the same level as the wharf.***

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025/06SW **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**
(1215/52/04/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflicts of interests declared.

(Councillor Goulden joined the meeting at 6.07pm.)

026/06SW **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
(1215/52/04/IM)

NOTED:

1. Esther Fung representing the Chinese Garden Society addressed the Subcommittee on the history of the Chinese garden project and the Society's support for the incorporation of the Chinese Garden in the proposed Frank Kitts Park design brief. She highlighted the benefits of having the Chinese garden located in Frank Kitts Park, including the interaction between the moving sea water and the still water in the garden, and the association of the park with the Chinese New Year celebrations and Dragon Boating festival. Ms Fung stated that the Frank Kitts site is the society's preferred site for the garden.
2. Pauline Swann spoke about the incorporation of the Chinese garden into the Frank Kitts Park design brief. Ms Swann noted that there was already a space designated for the Chinese garden in Waitangi Park, and while she was in full support of building such a garden, she felt that it would be more appropriate for it to be built there, rather than as part of Frank Kitts Park. She noted that she felt Waitangi Park would not be able to accommodate some of the activities currently held at Frank Kitts Park, including those staged in its natural amphitheatre.
3. Peter Graham spoke in support of creating a Chinese garden but highlighted his concerns about the proposal to include it in Frank Kitts Park. Mr Graham's concerns included the loss of green space and the difficulties that may occur in staging events on the waterfront if Frank Kitts Park loses its amphitheatre. He questioned what was unsatisfactory with the original site planned for the Chinese garden in Waitangi Park and whether any other potential sites for the garden had been examined.

027/06SW **UPDATE OF WELLINGTON WATERFRONT LIMITED**
(1215/52/04/IM) (ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

Ian Pike, CEO of Wellington Waterfront Ltd (WWL), updated and discussed the progress of the work along the waterfront including;

- Waitangi Park – the whaharoa, a covered gateway to Waitangi park arrives next week and will be installed shortly after, the temporary carpark is completed, the kiosk has been issued with its code of compliance and will open next month and resource consent has been issued by the Greater Wellington Regional Council for stormwater to be pumped through the wetlands. WWL are now working with Capacity to achieve this.
- The Transition building and Wardle building plans are being advanced.
- Discussions are continuing between WWL and the Marina berth-holders about the Overseas Passenger Terminal redevelopment and car-parking.
- The Free Ambulance building is complete and a St John Heineken bar scheduled to open on 9 September 2006.
- Re-levelling of ‘the mound’ on the Taranaki St wharf has started.
- Resource Consent decision for the proposed hotel on the Outer T is expected this week.
- The Kumutoto construction is progressing well.
- Internal work at WWL has begun to prepare for expressions of interest for sites 8,9 and 10.
- Re-branding of the Queens Wharf Events centre as the TSB Bank arena is complete, as is the Odlin building sign.

028/06SW **TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP UPDATE**
(1215/52/04/IM) (ORAL REPORT)

NOTED:

Graeme McIndoe updated and discussed the current work programme of the Technical Advisory Group including;

- Working on resource consent issues on the Herd Street Post Office building including small changes to entrances, signage and vents on the façade of the building.
- Completing a technical design audit of Waitangi Park as well as recently looking at disability access to the park.
- Organising for a sculpture to be installed outside of the Odlin building
- Preparing the Taranakai Wharf and Frank Kitt’s Park design briefs (to be discussed later at this meeting).

(Councillor Pepperell joined the meeting at 7.09pm.)

(Councillor Goulden left the meeting at 7.22pm and returned to the meeting at 7.30pm.)

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 7.31pm and returned to the meeting at 7.36pm.)

029/06SW **TARANAKI STREET WHARF DESIGN BRIEF**

Report of Jane Black, Manager, Urban Design.

(1215/52/04/IM)

(REPORT 3)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve the design brief for Taranaki Wharf (West) Public Space attached at Appendix One.*
3. *Agree that the result of the design brief will come back to the Waterfront Development Subcommittee to determine whether public consultation will be required*

NOTED:

1. The resolution differs to the recommendations contained in the officer's report as follows:

The Subcommittee added the text in **bold**.

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer left the meeting at 7.50pm.)

030/06SW **FRANK KITTS PARK DESIGN BRIEF**

Report of Ian Clements, Portfolio Manager, Council Controlled Organisations.

(1215/52/04/IM)

(REPORT 4)

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 8.15pm and returned at 8.20pm.)

Moved Councillor Ruben, seconded Mark Te One the following amendment.

4. Ask Council officers to seek public feedback **over a 6 week period** on the brief and report this back to the Subcommittee's next meeting on Monday 11 December.

The amendment was **PUT** and declared **CARRIED**.

NOTED:

1. Councillor Armstrong requested that his vote be recorded against the amendment.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Approve the design brief attached at Appendix One, subject to any modifications suggested by the Subcommittee.*
3. *Delegate to the Chair of the Waterfront Development Subcommittee authority to approve any required amendments to the design brief before it is published for consultation.*
4. *Ask Council officers to seek public feedback **over a 6 week period** on the brief and report this back to the Subcommittee's next meeting on Monday 11 December.*

NOTED:

1. The resolution differs to the recommendations contained in the officer's report as follows:

The Subcommittee added the text in **bold**

(Councillor Pepperell left the meeting at 8.52pm.)

(Councillor Ruben left the meeting at 9.05pm.)

031/06SW **PRESENTATION FROM BEN VAN BERKEL**

(1215/52/04/IM)

(PRESENTATION)

NOTED:

Ben van Berkel, from the UN Studio in the Netherlands, was unable to make his trip to New Zealand due to illness. In his place, an associate, Holger Hoffman addressed the Subcommittee about projects undertaken previously by the UN Studio and specifically, their successful design for the Transition Building to be built in Waitangi Park, Wellington. Mr Hoffman showcased several designs by Mr van Berkel that have been realised, including the Mercedes-Benz museum in Stuttgart, Germany and the Erasmus Bridge in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. He spoke about the cultural influences Mr van Berkel had incorporated into the design of the Transition building and the architecture of the building itself.

032/06SW **FORWARD PROGRAMME**

Report of Ian Clements, Portfolio Manager, Council Controlled Organisations.

(1215/52/04/IM)

(REPORT 6)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Adopt the forward programme for the Waterfront Development Subcommittee.*

The meeting concluded at 9.29pm.

Confirmed: _____

Chair

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