

WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

MINUTES

MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2006

6.01PM

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

PRESENT:

Mayor Prendergast (6.01 – 8.50pm) David Gordon (Chair) Councillor Armstrong Councillor Goulden Graeme McIndoe Judie O'Connell Ken Davis Mark Te One

IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillor Ritchie (6.47 – 8.22pm)

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Ruben Gordon Holden 033/06SW APOLOGIES (1215/52/04/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

1. Accept apologies for absence from Councillor Ruben and Gordon Holden.

034/06SW MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION (1215/52/04/IM)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

1. Approve the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Monday 4 September 2006, having been circulated be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting.

035/06SW CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS (1215/52/04/IM)

NOTED:

There were no conflicts of interests declared.

036/06SW PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (1215/52/04/IM)

NOTED:

There was no public participation

037/06SW ORAL SUBMISSIONS TO THE WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE PROPOSED DESIGN BRIEF FOR FRANK KITTS PARK (1215/52/04/IM) (REPORT 1)

NOTED:

1. Peter Graham opposed the Chinese Garden being included in the Frank Kitts Park design brief. He noted that the Waterfront

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Framework mentions the Chinese Garden being included in the Chaffers area and asked what had changed from the time of this original decision. Mr Graham noted that large opposition to the inclusion of the Chinese Garden at Frank Kitts Park may cause problems when the project seeks Resource Consent and requested that the Subcommittee exclude the requirement for a Chinese Garden in the design brief.

- 2. Pauline Swann spoke against the redevelopment of Frank Kitts Park. She noted that the unique features in the park currently could not be replaced in a redesign, such as the natural amphitheatre. She noted that in the Waterfront Framework the Chinese Garden is included in the Chaffers (Waitangi) Park area and that this was originally the preferred location for this garden to be located. Mrs Swann advocated leaving Frank Kitts Park as "very open space".
- 3. Iona Pannett spoke on behalf of Waterfront Watch. Waterfront Watch supported the idea of a Chinese Garden but in the originally proposed location, at Waitangi Park or within the wider Chaffers area given its historical links with the Chinese community. The group did not support the redevelopment of Frank Kitts Park as they believed it was not a good use of ratepayers money.
- 4. Lady Anita Jeanette Wordsworth-Whittington-Henderson-Rose-Booth-Hodgson-Windsor Orlando Rios-Varas addressed the Subcommittee about the Frank Kitts Park design brief. Lady Anita believed that Frank Kitts Park, in its current design provides an excellent venue for special events which would be lost if it was redesigned to include a Chinese Garden. She also spoke about the history of the area and the loss of history often accompanying redevelopment in the city.
- 5. Frances Williamson spoke against the redevelopment of Frank Kitts Park. She believed that the park worked well with its current design, providing a green link for the city and enough room for people's recreation and enjoyment. Mrs Williamson noted that the design brief essentially requires exactly the same facilities as are currently in the park to be incorporated into the design, with the exception of a Chinese Garden. She was opposed to the inclusion of a Chinese Garden at Frank Kitts Park and felt it would be much better located at Waitangi Park.

038/06SW 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 which has been completed by the installation of a whaharoa by the skate park. A po is also to be installed. A post construction report is currently being completed by TAG.
- Good faith discussions with the Chaffers Marina board are continuing regarding the redevelopment of the Overseas Passenger Terminal and car parking facilities.
- The proposed hotel on the Outer T has been granted resource consent since the last Waterfront Development Subcommittee meeting. This decision has been appealed in the environment court which is expected to hear the case in March/April 2007.
- Work on designs for the Taranaki wharf are continuing with the Wellington Tenths trust developing a design for the Wharewaka.
- Work continues on the Kumutoto area and this is expected to open in September 2007.

David Irwin, of the Isthmus group then updated the subcommittee on refinements to the design of the Kumutoto public space project since resource consent was granted.

(Councillor Ritchie joined the meeting at 6.47pm.)

039/06SW 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 (TAG) including;

- Working on the technical review (post construction report) of Waitangi Park.
- Overseeing the writers walk which has recently had several new plaques installed. TAG are very happy with the location of these.
- Reviewing the refinements to the Kumutoto public space design. TAG are very happy with these changes and believe that they enhance the design and remain consistent with the resource consent.
- Developing some signage guidelines for the waterfront. There are currently no signage standards for retailing on the waterfront although there are some high level references in the Waterfront Framework. TAG proposes to write some standards for retail/operators on the waterfront although they may extend to directional signage also.

040/06SW FEEDBACK ON THE FRANK KITTS PARK DESIGN BRIEF

Report of Ian Clements, Portfolio Manager, Council Controlled Organisations. (1215/52/04/IM)

(REPORT 4)

(Councillor Ritchie left the meeting at 8.22pm.)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

- Receive the information 1.
- 2. Approve the draft design brief for Frank Kitts Park-subject to any changes as a result of the oral submissions
- 3. Note the process for the next stages of design development.

NOTED:

- 1. Councillor Goulden requested that his dissenting vote be recorded.
- 2. There were no changes to the Frank Kitts Park design brief.

(Mayor Prendergast left the meeting at 8.50pm.)

041/06SW FORWARD PROGRAMME

Report of Ian Clements, Portfolio Manager, Council Controlled Organisations. (1215/52/04/IM) (REPORT 5) **RESOLVED:**

THAT the Waterfront Development Subcommittee:

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

The meeting concluded at 8.51pm.

Confirmed:

Chair / /