

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Time: 1.00pm
Date: Wednesday, 9 March 2016
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

PRESENT

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
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

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Questions

Meeting adjourned on Wednesday, 9 March at 1.04pm and reconvened on Thursday, 10 March 2016 at 4.00pm.

1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

No apologies were received.

1.2 Announcements by the Mayor

Nil.

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Nil

1.3 Items not on the Agenda

Nil

1.4 Public Participation

Nil

2. Committee Reports

2.1 Report of the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee Meeting of 9 March 2016

MAYORS PROPOSAL FOR THE ANNUAL PLAN

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Marsh,

That the Council:

Agree to the projects and programmes (included as attachment 1) of this report for consultation **as amended below**:

- i. Project CX406 (CAPEX): Agree \$15k CAPEX for Tinakori Road plaques continuation and reduce the Urban Activation fund within this project from \$400k to \$385k
- ii. Project C670 (OPEX): Agree that \$15k be provided for in the 2016-17 year as additional funding for the conservation fund for Council artworks.
- iii. Project C670 (OPEX): Agree that \$14,500 be provided for in the 2016-17 year as additional funding for extra hours for an Arts Advisor
- iv. Project CX245 (CAPEX): Agree that \$20k be provided for in the 2016-17 year as additional funding for Toi Poneke Branding
- v. Project C605 (OPEX): Agree that \$20k be provided for in the 2016-17 year as additional funding for Toi Poneke Consumables
- vi. Project C605 (OPEX): Agree that \$120k be provided for in the 2016-17 year as additional funding for a Toi Poneke Arts Programming Advisor
- vii. Project C661 (OPEX): Agree that \$120k be provided for in the 2016-17 year as additional funding for an increase in the Arts and Culture Community Grants
- viii. Project C130E (OPEX): Agree that \$200k be provided for in the 2016-17 year as additional funding for a new flagship Outdoor Event Series. and;
- ix. Consider off-setting the Cultural Community Grants by \$120k, the Outdoor Events fund by \$200k with \$100k from the Urban Activation Fund.
- x. Request officers to provide advice, before adopting the Annual Plan, on bringing the Performing Arts Fund into the Wellington City Council's Arts and Cultural Grants Pool
- xi. CX 349_RNW (CAPEX): Agree that the Lyall Bay Foreshore Resilience plan be completed and funding of \$1 million CAPEX be included in the 2016-17 Annual Plan for stage one resilience work including:
 - Surfers corner carpark \$236K,
 - New block wall middle beach \$100k,

- Sand ladder fencing \$70K,
 - Pipe extensions and rock riprap western end of the beach \$594K
- xii. Projects CX 446 and CX095 (CAPEX): Placemaking - \$140,000 capex to be split as follows
- a. Suburban beautification and character enhancement for smaller centres that do not have major Centres upgrade projects associated with them (Expenditure of up to approx. \$30,000 per suburb) generally associated with other initiatives such as speed limits or housing choice - total suggested budget \$100,000.
 - b. Heritage plaques – To provide information about heritage buildings or locations of interest. (To be set on buildings or in pavement. Fairly common in many cities – but not Wellington) \$20,000
 - c. Street identity signs - \$10,000 (as per the street signs paper to TUDC
 - d. Traffic signals (eg WW1 soldier, Carmen, John Plimmer) - \$10,000

Project code C678 (OPEX) Toitu Pōneke Community and Sports Hub:

- xiv. Agree that a grant of \$750,000 to Toitu Pōneke for the redevelopment of a community and sports hub building at Kilbirnie Park, is included in the 2016/17 Annual Plan for consultation; funded by the reallocation of grants included in the 2015-25 Long-term Plan to Alex Moore Park Development project (\$600k) and Lyall Bay Surf Club redevelopment (\$150k), and;
- xv. Note that neither the Alex Moore Park or Lyall Bay Surf Club projects were anticipated to meet the conditions to draw on the funding allocated in the Long-term Plan in 2016/17; and that re-establishment of these grant funding allocations will need to be considered as part of the 2017/18 Annual Plan.
- xvi. Agree that release of the \$750,000 OPEX funding is subject to:
- a. Complying with the funding criteria that is outlined in the Council Sportsville Partnership Fund
 - b. Signing an MOU or constitution to formalise the establishment of the Kilbirnie Park sports and community hub with other clubs (and schools) at the park
 - c. A Ground Lease being approved and signed
 - d. Toitu Pōneke and/or a wider group raising the balance of the required funding for the community and sports hub building
 - e. Toitu Pōneke securing additional tenants/partners for the community and sports hub building
 - f. Allowing other clubs based at Kilbirnie Park the opportunity to be based or use the redeveloped community and sports hub building
 - g. Allowing other community, sport/recreation groups, and schools the opportunity

to be based or use the redeveloped community and sports hub building

- h. A Funding Agreement with Council
- xvi. Note that officers will continue to facilitate the formation of a Kilbirnie Park community and sports hub entity. Council Officers have been working with the wider Kilbirnie sporting clubs (including St Patrick's College) and have formed a working group. The working group's focus is to ensure a park wide hub to help grow leadership, participation and offer a range of sporting opportunities. To this end a number of appropriate partners/groups will need to work together.

Project code C678 (OPEX) Social and Recreation Fund (Refugee settlement and Project code C662 (OPEX) Warm-up Wellington:

- xvii. Agree that the Our Living City Fund be increased by \$20,000 OPEX to extend the 'Warm-up Wellington' programme
- xviii. Agree that the Social and Recreation Fund be increased by \$20,000 OPEX for refugee and new settlers initiatives and \$55k OPEX for the Wellington Night Shelter.
- xix. Agree to fund \$40k for the Katherine Mansfield Birthplace to expand its cultural heritage programme and Wellington's reputation as a city of literature.
- 11. Note any changes arising from this meeting will be reflected in the projects and programmes for adoption by Council.
- 12. Note any funding requirements that result in a breach of any of the Financial Strategy limits agreed within the 2015-25 Long-term Plan will be reported on as part of the Pre-election report.
- 13 a. Note officer advice that a green roof for one of the Civic Square Buildings can be considered through the Civic Precinct Project and request that officers report back to the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee at the appropriate time with further advice on how this project can be progressed.
- 13. b Note officer advice that a new central city park can be considered at a future time and that officers will come back to the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee (or a future appropriate committee) with further advice on how to progress this initiative before deliberations begin on the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.
- 13c Agree to ask officers to investigate the possibility of installing adult exercise equipment along the waterfront or other appropriate public space as requested by a number of submitters and report back to the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee at the appropriate time with some ideas for funding, including from outside of council.

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

For:

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Ahipene-Mercer
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Eagle
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free

Against:

Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Marsh, the following amendment:
That the Council:

14. Agree that following consultation on the range of initiatives and levels of service proposed, currently totalling 3.8%, Council agrees to maintain the target of 3.6% rates rise agreed year 2 of the Long Term Plan.

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Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

The meeting concluded at 4:11 pm.

Confirmed: _____

Chair