

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

Time: 05:30 pm
Date: Wednesday, 24 February 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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1 Meeting Conduct

1.1 Apologies

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Council:

- 1) accept the apologies from Councillor Marsh for early departure on Council business and Councillor Ahipene-Mercer for lateness on Council business.

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

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
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

1.2 Announcements by the Mayor

Tattoo Broadsword

As we all know, the Capital played host to the Edinburgh Tattoo over four magnificent evenings, which concluded Sunday night.

The 2016 Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo made history as the biggest crowd puller of any show staged in the capital, with 82,000 tickets sold across the four nights.

Just as Wellington audiences were enthralled by the Tattoo, our guests were equally delighted with their experiences in the Capital.

Major General David Allfrey from the Edinburgh Tattoo said that ‘the people of Wellington have been so welcoming and considerate at every turn. It has been the talk of their whole team and for many of them, the sound of 21,000 people humming Pokarekare Ana in tune with Maori vocalists and the Bands will be the abiding memory of the Tour.

In recognition of their wonderful time here in Wellington they have gifted us this ceremonial broadsword.

This is an extraordinary sword. Each year at the Tattoo in Edinburgh a Scottish Officer's Broadsword is awarded to the contingent to have contributed the most to the Tattoo experience, as voted by the performers.

The sword is much coveted and the winner is announced in front of Edinburgh Castle before the March Off at the close of the last performance of the summer.

The Edinburgh Tattoo were kind enough to have made two special broadswords, one each for Melbourne and Wellington, in recognition of their tour down under, and I'm delighted to receive this on behalf of Wellington City

1.3 APW Awards

Citation for Bill Gosden

It is my pleasure to present an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian award to Bill Gosden MNZM for his work with the New Zealand International Film Festival.

Bill is currently the Festival Director, having joined the team in 1979 and being appointed the Federation's Programme Director in 1980.

Bill's busy team coordinate a programme of films which are shown at Wellington and Auckland, and then at other New Zealand centres. The Festival has brought wonderful films to the country from all over the world.

In Wellington last year, the Festival sold more than 73,000 tickets during the 17-day event. There were more than 450 screenings of more than 150 new feature films in eight Wellington venues.

Wellington is widely regarded as the cultural capital, and events like the New Zealand International Film Festival, which Bill and his team pour their hearts and souls into, contribute hugely to our reputation.

Previously Bill has worked as a programme adviser to the International Film Festival Rotterdam and curated programmes of New Zealand film in Australia and Brazil.

On behalf of the Wellington City Council, I'd like to thank Bill and declare him an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian.

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Citation for Robin and John White (joint award)

It is my pleasure to present an Absolutely Positively Wellingtonian Award to Robin and John White for their work in the Ngaio community.

Robin White joined the Ngaio Crofton Downs Residents' Association committee in 2002, becoming Secretary in 2009 and President in 2014. She has also been a leader of the Makererua St Reserve Care Group. Due to illness, Robin has had to step back from her Residents' Association duties so John has stepped up and joined the committee. He is the current Secretary.

Robin and John are often described as pillars of the Ngaio community. Robin has been advocating for the community and its natural environment for more than a decade. The Whites have contributed to making improvements to Cummings Park, creating a predator free environment for our wildlife, and making their community safe and vibrant.

Recently, Robin's passion for the natural environment resulted in her and John working with Council on the kākā-cam project (nicknamed the Kākā-dashian project!), an initiative to protect a nest of kākā chicks within Makererua Reserve and live stream their progress. This stream was viewed nearly 65,000 times, as far abroad as Russia and the United States.

To help the kākā survive, Robin and John motivated the local community to keep their cats indoors and their dogs on leashes, and coordinated the locals to keep watch over the fledglings until they were safe. The end result was that three kākā chicks fledged in the unfenced wild, the first time for over a century in Wellington.

Robin and John have shown great community leadership, an ability to mobilise and activate their community, and they have always taken a team-orientated approach.

On behalf of the Wellington City Council, I'd like to thank Robin and John, and declare them Absolutely Positively Wellingtonians.

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

1. 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Councillor Foster declared a conflict of interest for the late item 2.2: Councillor travel to Malaysia for the Resilient Cities Asia-Pacific Congress from 2 to 4 March 2016.

1. 5 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Approve the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 December 2015 and the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 10 February 2016, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

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

For:

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Eagle
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie

Against:

Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

1. 6 Items not on the Agenda

2.2 Councillor travel to Malaysia for the resilient Cities Asia-Pacific Congress from 2 to 4 March 2016

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

Reason why the item is not on the agenda

The invitation from the congress was sent to the Mayor's office after the close of the Council agenda. (17 February)

Reason why the discussion cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting

The Governance, Finance and Planning Committee has the delegation to approve the attendance of elected members at overseas conference and has a meeting on 9 March after the Congress from 2 to 4 March.

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

For:

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Eagle
Councillor Foster
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Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

Attachments

- 1 Council 24 February 2016 item 2.2: Report Councillor Travel to Malaysia for the Resilient Cities

1. 7 Public Participation

Nil.

2. General Business

2.1 Decision of Hearing Commissioner on Private Plan Change 79 Rezoning 42a Riddiford St, Newtown

Moved Councillor Foster, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.

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

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
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

2. Adopt the recommendations of the Hearing Commissioner in respect of Plan Change 79, as set out in Attachment 1.

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

For:

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Eagle
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Pannett
Councillor Woolf

Majority Vote: 12:2

Carried

2.2 Councillor travel to Malaysia for the Resilient Cities Asia-Pacific Congress from 2 to 4 March 2016

Councillor Foster declared a conflict of interest and moved away from the table. He did not vote or took part in the discussion.

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Coughlan

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receives the information.
2. Notes that attendance at the ICLEI Resilient Cities Asia-Pacific 2016 Congress in Melaka, Malaysia offers an important opportunity to be part of the largest global partnership on urban resilience and climate change adaptation, and a further opportunity to focus specifically on the Asia-Pacific region.
3. Note that Congress attendance is an opportunity to support strengthening both Wellington and New Zealand resilience, and also for helping to positively impact over 20% of the world's urban population.
4. Agrees that a Councillor attends the congress from the 2nd to the 4th of March 2016 subject to ICLEI's confirmation that they will fund the trip.
5. Note that Council will purchase carbon credits to the approximate value of \$70.00 in line with current Council policy.

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

Against:

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

Moved Mayor Wade-Brown, seconded Councillor Sparrow

6. Agrees that Councillor Foster attends the congress from the 2nd to the 4th of March 2016 subject to ICLEI's confirmation that they will fund the trip.

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

For:

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Against:

Councillor Eagle

Majority Vote: 13:1

Carried

3. Committee Reports

3.1 Report of the Regulatory Processes Committee Meeting of 11 February 2016

PROPOSED ROAD STOPPING - LAND ADJOINING 38 RANDWICK ROAD, NORTHLAND

Moved Councillor Lee, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

1. That the Council:
 - a. Agrees that approximately 71m² of unformed legal road land in West Road, Northland shown bordered red on Attachment 1 (**the Road Land**) and adjoining 38 Randwick Road, Northland (being Lot 66 DP 1087, CFR WN133/188) is not required for a public work and surplus to requirements.
 - b. Agrees to dispose of the Road Land.
 - c. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude all matters in relation to the road stopping and disposal of the Land, including all legislative matters, issuing relevant public notices, declaring the road stopped, negotiating the terms of sale or exchange, impose any reasonable covenants, and anything else necessary.

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

For:

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Eagle
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Lee

Against:

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

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

PROPOSED ROAD STOPPING - LAND ADJOINING 45 ABEL SMITH STREET, TE ARO

Moved Councillor Lee, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

1. That the Council:
 - a. Agrees that approximately 56m² of unformed legal road land on Abel Smith Street, Te Aro, shown as land bordered red on the plan in Attachment 1 (the Road Land) and adjoining 45 Abel Smith Street, Te Aro (being Lot 1 DP 17757, CFR WN619/87) is not required for a public work and surplus to requirements.
 - b. Agrees to dispose of the Road Land.
 - c. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude all matters in relation to the road stopping and disposal of the Road Land, including all legislative matters, issuing relevant public notices, declaring the road stopped, negotiating the terms of sale or exchange, impose any reasonable covenants, and anything else necessary.

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

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
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

PROPOSED ROAD STOPPING - LAND ADJOINING 26 AND 28 RAROA ROAD

Moved Councillor Lee, seconded Councillor Pannett

Resolved

1. That the Council:
 - a. Agrees that approximately 42m² of unformed legal road land on Raroa Road, Kelburn, shown as land bordered blue on Attachment 1 (the Land) and adjoining 26 and 28 Raroa Road, Kelburn (being Lot 2 DP 1946 CFR WN47C/100 and Lot 3 DP 1946 CFR WN166/42) is not required for a public work and surplus to requirements.
 - b. Agrees to dispose of the Land.
 - c. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude all matters in relation to the road stopping and disposal of the Land; including all legislative matters, issuing relevant public notices, declaring the road stopped, negotiating the terms of sale or exchange, impose any reasonable covenants, and anything else necessary.

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

For:

Mayor Wade-Brown
Councillor Coughlan
Councillor Eagle
Councillor Foster
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Councillor Lee
Councillor Lester
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Peck
Councillor Ritchie
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 14:0

Carried

4. PUBLIC EXCLUDED

MOVED MAYOR WADE-BROWN, SECONDED COUNCILLOR COUGHLAN

RESOLVED

THAT THE COUNCIL :

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987, EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM THE FOLLOWING PART OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THIS MEETING NAMELY:

GENERAL SUBJECT OF THE MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED	REASONS FOR PASSING THIS RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO EACH MATTER	GROUND(S) UNDER SECTION 48(1) FOR THE PASSING OF THIS RESOLUTION
4.1 EXTERNAL APPOINTMENT TO THE AUDIT AND RISK SUBCOMMITTEE	7(2)(A) THE WITHHOLDING OF THE INFORMATION IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF NATURAL PERSONS, INCLUDING THAT OF A DECEASED PERSON.	S48(1)(A) THAT THE PUBLIC CONDUCT OF THIS ITEM WOULD BE LIKELY TO RESULT IN THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION FOR WHICH GOOD REASON FOR WITHHOLDING WOULD EXIST UNDER SECTION 7.
4.2 PUBLIC EXCLUDED REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE, FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF 18 FEBRUARY 2016	7(2)(I) THE WITHHOLDING OF THE INFORMATION IS NECESSARY TO ENABLE THE LOCAL AUTHORITY TO CARRY ON, WITHOUT PREJUDICE OR DISADVANTAGE, NEGOTIATIONS (INCLUDING COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL NEGOTIATIONS). 7(2)(J) THE WITHHOLDING OF THE INFORMATION IS NECESSARY TO PREVENT THE DISCLOSURE OR USE OF OFFICIAL INFORMATION FOR IMPROPER GAIN OR IMPROPER ADVANTAGE.	S48(1)(A) THAT THE PUBLIC CONDUCT OF THIS ITEM WOULD BE LIKELY TO RESULT IN THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION FOR WHICH GOOD REASON FOR WITHHOLDING WOULD EXIST UNDER SECTION 7.

A DIVISION WAS CALLED FOR, VOTING ON WHICH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

FOR:

AGAINST:

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
COUNCILLOR WOOLF
COUNCILLOR YOUNG

MAJORITY VOTE: 14:0

CARRIED

The meeting went into public excluded session at 6.11pm.

(Councillor Ahipene-Mercer returned to the meeting at 06:13 pm.)

The meeting concluded at 6.25 pm.

Confirmed: _____
Chair