
Council *Kaunihera* OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Council held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Tuesday 11 June 2024 at 11:32am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Mayor Paula Southgate
<i>Heamana</i>	
Members	Cr Maxine van Oosten (via audio-visual)
	Cr Ewan Wilson
	Cr Mark Donovan
	Cr Andrew Bydder (via audio-visual)
	Cr Sarah Thomson
	Cr Emma Pike (via audio-visual)
	Cr Anna Casey-Cox
	Cr Kesh Naidoo-Rauf
	Cr Tim Macindoe

In Attendance	Peter Winder - Consultant for Hamilton City Council
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- 1. Apologies – *Tono aroha***
Resolved: (Cr Macindoe/Mayor Southgate)
That the apologies for full absence from Deputy Mayor O’Leary, Crs Taylor, Tauariki, Hutt and Casey-Cox are accepted.
- 2. Confirmation of Agenda – *Whakatau raarangi take***
Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Cr Naidoo-Rauf)
That the agenda is confirmed.
- 3. Declarations of Interest – *Tauaakii whaipaaanga***
No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.
- 4. Public Forum – *Aatea koorero***
No members of the public wished to speak in the Public Forum.
- 5. Chair's Report (Verbal)**
Mayor Southgate spoke to her report noting that the Council had received a Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) remit from Dunedin City Council regarding rates remissions from Central Government. The Mayor noted that they no longer required Hamilton City Councils support.
Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Cr van Oosten)
That the Council:
 - a) receives the report; and
 - b) notes that a full report concerning remits would be reported to a future Council meeting.

Councillor Pike joined the meeting (11.34am) during the discussion of the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

6. Submission on the Local Government Water Services Preliminary Arrangements Bill

Mr Winder spoke to the report highlighting the gaps in the proposed Arrangements Bill in relation to decision making, cost effectiveness and elements of WaterCare legislation that would work for Hamilton. Staff responded to questions from the Elected Members concerning the Bill not suiting Hamilton or high growth Councils, Central Government funding, critical factors of the Council Controlled Organisation model, and advocacy.

Resolved: (Cr Thomson/Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) delegates to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor authority to approve the submission to the Finance and Expenditure Select Committee on the Local Government (Water Services Preliminary Arrangements) Bill reflecting any feedback from this meeting.

Councillor Casey-Cox joined the meeting (11.57am) during the discussion of the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

The meeting was declared closed at 12.03pm.