
Council *Kaunihera* OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton and via Audio Visual link on Thursday 26 November 2020 at 1:07pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson Mayor P Southgate

Heamana

Deputy Chairperson Deputy Mayor G Taylor

Heamana Tuarua

Members

Cr M Bunting
Cr M Forsyth (Via Audio Visual Link)
Cr M Gallagher
Cr R Hamilton
Cr D Macpherson
Cr A O'Leary
Cr R Pascoe
Cr S Thomson
Cr M van Oosten
Cr E Wilson

In Attendance: Richard Briggs - Chief Executive
Sean Hickey – General Manager Strategy and Communication
Jen Baird – General Manager City Growth
Tracey Musty - Financial Controller
Julie Clausen - Unit Manager Strategy and Corporate Planning
Greg Carstens – Growth, Funding and Analytics
Stafford Hodgson – Programme Manager, Economic and Policy

Governance Team: Becca Brooke – Governance Manager
Amy Viggers – Governance Team Leader
Tyler Gaukrodger – Governance Advisor

The meeting was opened with a karakia from Kaumatua Tame Pokaia.

1. Apologies – Tono aroha

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Bunting)

That the apologies for absence for Cr Naidoo-Rauf, for lateness from Cr Thomson, and for partial attendance from Cr Pascoe are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda – Whakatau raarangi take

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the agenda is confirmed noting that the late item C8 (Hamilton Kirikiriroa Metal nomination) is accepted as a late item for timing reasons. This item would be taken as a Public Excluded item to

protect the privacy of a natural person (section 6(a)) under the Local Government and Official Information and Meetings Act.

3. Declarations of Interest – *Tauaakii whaipanga*

No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.

4. Public Forum – *Aatea koorero*

No members of the public wished to speak.

5. Confirmation of the Council Open Minutes of 22 October 2020

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Bunting)

That the Council confirm the Open Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22 October 2020 as a true and correct record.

6. Confirmation of the Elected Member Open Briefing Notes - 4 November 2020

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Bunting)

That the Council confirm the Open Briefing Notes of the Elected Member Briefing held on 4 November 2020 as a true and correct record.

7. Confirmation of the Elected Member Open Briefing Notes - 18 November 2020

Cr O'Leary noted that she was absent from this briefing due to being on Council Business. The notes for this meeting would be updated accordingly.

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Bunting)

That the Council confirm the Open Briefing Notes of the Elected Member Briefing held on 18 November 2020 as a true and correct record, noting Cr O'Leary was an apology for being on Council Business for this briefing

8. Investment and Liability Management Policy

The Financial Controller took the report as read and responded to questions from Elected Members concerning risks to the Council, future interest rates and loan periods.

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Pascoe)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) approves the revised Investment and Liability Management Policy.

Cr Thomson joined the meeting (1.11pm) during the discussion of the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

9. 2021-31 Long-Term Plan Significant Forecasting Assumptions

The General Manager Strategy and Communication and the Unit Manager Strategy and Corporate Planning introduced the report noting that the approved forecasting assumptions would be used to develop the draft 2021-31 Long Term Plan budget and consultation document. They responded to question from Elected Members concerning the three water reform assumption, growth assumptions, including in relation to infill, city boundary changes, financial strategy, service level agreements, growth infrastructure upsizing and risks to Council.

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to include and additional statement in the forecasting assumptions*

concerning three water reform funding needs.

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the Council approves the use of the significant forecasting assumptions outlined in the staff report to develop the draft 2021-31 LTP budget and consultation document.

Cr Macpherson and Cr Gallagher Dissenting.

Cr Pascoe retired from the meeting (1.45pm) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

10. Significance and Engagement Policy Review

The Unit Manager Strategy and Corporate Planning introduced report and highlighted the changes to the Council's approach to public engagement this triennium.. She responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the significance matrix, consultation types and thresholds.

Resolved: (Cr Hamilton/Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves the draft Significance and Engagement Policy; and
- c) notes that consultation is not required, as the Council has sufficient information concerning community interests and preferences to enable the purpose of the policy to be achieved.

11. Recommendations from Open Committee meetings

Economic Development Committee

Resolved: (Cr Hamilton/Cr Wilson)

Chair's Report

That the Council:

- a) approves that delegation and oversight of the International Relations Policy move to the Economic Development Committee (from the Community Committee);
- b) approves the Municipal Endowment Fund Assessment criteria that will enable the development of the Action and Management Plan for the Municipal Endowment Fund.
- c) notes that Council is to actively leverage the endowment fund, through investment in a suitable property and development portfolio, to achieve Council's strategic intent; and
- d) approves that the value of the endowment fund, not currently invested in property, and offset against debt, is treated as cash backed for the purposes of financial strategy measures; to be clear total debt will be increased by value of endowment fund, offset against debt, in "debt to revenue" reporting within financial strategy reporting effective immediately.

Draft Domain Endowment Fund Policy

That the Council:

- a) approves the Draft Domain Endowment Fund Policy (**attachment 1**);
- b) approves that the value of the domain endowment fund, not currently invested, and offset against debt, is treated as cash backed for the purposes of financial strategy measures; to be clear total debt will be increased by value of domain endowment fund, offset against

debt, in “debt to revenue” reporting within financial strategy reporting effective immediately; and

- c) approves to move the delegation and oversight of the Domain Endowment Fund Policy to the Community Committee (from the Economic Development Committee).

12. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Mayor Southgate)

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

The following motion is submitted for consideration:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely consideration of the public excluded agenda.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

General subject of each 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
C1. Confirmation of the Council Public Excluded Minutes of 22 October 2020) Good reason to withhold) information exists under) Section 7 Local Government) Official Information and) Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
C2. Confirmation of the Elected Member Public Excluded Briefing Notes - 27 October 2020		
C3. Confirmation of the Elected Member Public Excluded Briefing Notes - 28 October 2020		
C4. Confirmation of the Elected Member Public Excluded Briefing Notes - 4 November 2020		
C5. Confirmation of the Elected Member Public Excluded Briefing Notes - 9 November 2020		
C6. Confirmation of the Elected Member Public Excluded Briefing Notes - 11 November 2020		
C7. Confirmation of the Elected Member Public Excluded Briefing Notes - 18 November 2020		

C8. Hamilton Kirikiriroa Medal
Nomination – Verbal Report

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

Item C1.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)
Item C2.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)
Item C3.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)
Item C4.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)
Item C5.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)
Item C6.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)
Item C7.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)
Item C8.	To protect the privacy of a natural person	Section 6 (a)

The meeting moved into a public excluded session at 2.25pm

The meeting was declared closed at 2:39pm