
Council

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Tuesday 4 February 2020 at 9.34am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Mayor P Southgate
Deputy Chairperson	Deputy Mayor G Taylor
Members	Cr M Bunting
	Cr M Forsyth
	Cr M Gallagher
	Cr R Hamilton
	Cr D Macpherson
	Cr K Naidoo-Rauf
	Cr A O’Leary
	Cr R Pascoe
	Cr S Thomson
	Cr M van Oosten
	Cr E Wilson

In Attendance:	Richard Briggs – Chief Executive
	Lance Vervoort – General Manager Community
	David Bryant – General Manager Corporate
	Eeva-Liisa Wright – General Manager Infrastructure Operations
	Chris Allen - General Manager Development
	Sean Hickey – General Manager Strategy and Communication
	Sean Murray – General Manager Venues, Tourism and Major Events
	Blair Bowcott - Executive Director Special Projects
	Julie Sanderson – Acting General Manager City Growth
	Mothla Majeed – Legal Services Manager
	Muna Wharawhara – Amorangi Maaori
	Maire Porter – City Waters Manager
	Kirsty Quickfall – Waste Minimisation Advisor
	Natalie Palmer - Unit Manager Communications and Marketing
	Nicole Nooyen - Team Leader Communication
	Debra Stan Barton – Project Manager
	Maangai Olly Te Ua
	Maangai Norm Hill
	Maangai Te Pora Thompson-Evans

Governance Staff:	Becca Brooke - Governance Manager
	Amy Viggers – Governance Team Leader
	Rebecca Watson – Committee Advisor

The meeting was opened with a karakia from Hamilton City Council’s kaumatua Tame Pokaia.

1. Apologies

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the apologies for early departure from Cr Bunting and for lateness from Cr Pascoe are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Cr van Oosten)

That the agenda is confirmed noting the following:

- a) late item 14 (Maangai Maaori, Review of Arrangements) is accepted. This has been circulated as a late item due to a delay in stakeholder consultation feedback being received; and
- b) that item 14 (Maangai Maaori, Review of Arrangements) is taken after item 7 (Application for Major Event Sponsorship Fund 2020/2021) to accommodate availability.

3. Declarations of Interest

No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.

4. Public Forum

Marleina Ruka and Maree Mills (representing Te Ohu Whakaita for Matariki ki Waikato) – spoke in support of item 7 (Application for Major Event Sponsorship Fund 2020/2021) and their application to the fund.

Following the above item 4 (Public Forum), item 7 (Application for Major Event Sponsorship Fund 2020/2021) was taken to accommodate public in attendance.

5. Application for Major Event Sponsorship Fund 2020/21

General Manger Venues, Tourism and Major Events spoke to the report, noting the application had been brought to the Council for approval outside the normal application round. Staff responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the application for the Matariki ki Waikato 2020 event, the purpose of the fund, the event sponsorship policy and criteria, and the timeline of the review of the sponsorship policies.

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to provide Elected Members with a timeline for a review of Council's Event Sponsorship funding streams (i.e. Major events and Community Events) and relevant supporting guidelines/policies.*

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) approves funding from 2020-21 Major Event Sponsorship fund for:
 - i. Te Ohu Whakaita for \$40,000 to deliver the Matariki ki Waikato 2020 event noting the funding is subject to confirmation of external funding being secured by event organisers; and
 - ii. subject to 2020 performance via event reporting requirements, the further approval of \$40,000 per annum for 2021 and 2022 events from an applicable event sponsorship budget.

Cr Bunting Dissenting.

6. Confirmation of the Council Open Minutes 12 December 2019

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Bunting)

That the Council confirm the open Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12 December 2019 as a true and correct record.

7. Chair's Report

Mayor Southgate took her report as read.

Cr Wilson and Cr Macpherson provided Elected Members with an outline of the process followed by the Start-up Passenger Rail Service Project Governance Group concerning the potential name of the services being "Te Huia".

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Macpherson)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) endorses the name "Te Huia" for the Hamilton to Auckland Passenger Rail Start-up Service.

8. HCC's Draft 1 Submission to the Ministry for the Environment's November 2019 Consultation Document on Reducing Waste - A More Effective Landfill Levy

The City Waters Manager introduced the report noting that the submission had been updated based on Elected Member feedback. Staff responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the waste levy and the amount of the waste levy that Council may receive.

Resolved: (Cr Thomson/Cr Macpherson)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves Hamilton City Council's **Draft 2** submission (Attachment 1 of the staff report) to the Ministry for the Environment's Consultation Document on Reducing Waste – A More Effective Landfill Levy;
- c) notes that the approved submission will be sent to the Ministry for the Environment following Council's approval, to meet the 5 February 2020 submission closing date; and
- d) notes staff have also provided feedback to five questions around the landfill levy that Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) had sought comment on to assist them with developing and finalising their sector submission to the Ministry for the Environment.

The meeting adjourned 10.53am to 11.16am.

Cr Forsyth left the meeting during the above adjournment

Cr Pascoe joined the meeting during the above adjournment.

Following the above adjournment, item 14 (Maangai Maaori: Review of Arrangements) was taken to accommodate availability.

14. Maangai Maaori: Review of Arrangements (Late item)

The Governance Manager took the report as read. Maangai Maaori and staff responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the representation agreement, the consultation process, attendance at Elected Member Briefings, remuneration figures and personal development opportunities for Maangai Maaori.

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the Council:

- a) notes the appointment of Maangai Maaori to Council Committees as part of the 2019-2022 Governance Structure at its meeting of 28 November 2019;
- b) approves the proposed changes to the Maangai Maaori arrangements outlined in this report (paragraphs 26-51);
- c) notes the estimated funding implications for the proposed changes, being an extra \$34,400 per annum in total for remuneration, and associated professional development costs will be addressed as part of the 2020/2021 Annual Plan process; and
- d) delegates the General Manager Corporate to negotiate and execute variations to the individual kawenata with Maangai Maaori to give effect to the proposed changes; and
- e) requests the CE and Mayor continue discussions with Maataawaka and Waikato Tainui concerning representation on the Strategic Growth Committee and report back to the Council by the end of May 2020.

Cr Forsyth re-joined the meeting (11.23am) during the discussion of the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

9. Waikato Local Authority Shared Services Directorship Transition

The Executive Director Special Projects outlined the report and responded to questions from Elected Members concerning any financial implications of the change in directorship.

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the Council:

- a) receives the reports; and
- b) approves the transition of the Hamilton City Council appointed director of Waikato Local Authority Shared Services from Blair Bowcott, Executive Director Special Projects, to David Bryant, General Manager Corporate, by 30 June 2020.

Cr Forsyth left the meeting (11.49am) during the discussion of the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

10. Waikato Triennial Agreement 2019-2022

Mayor Southgate and the Executive Director Special Projects introduced the report. They responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the purpose of the agreement, and the areas of focus for future Mayoral Forum meetings. Mayor Southgate noted that she would circulate her notes from the future meetings to Elected Member to ensure Elected Members remain updated.

Resolved: (Deputy Mayor Taylor/Cr Gallagher)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report;
- b) adopts the draft 2019-2022 Waikato Triennial Agreement (attachment 1 of this report) as endorsed by the Mayoral Forum on 25 November 2019 and Chief Executives' Forum on 6 December 2019; and
- c) delegates Mayor Southgate to sign the agreement on behalf of Hamilton City Council.

Cr Forsyth re-joined the meeting (11.53am) during the discussion of the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

11. Draft 2020 Council Schedule of Reports

The report was taken as read. Staff responded to questions from Elected Members concerning when specific reports will be reported to the Council and the process for updating the schedules.

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Cr Wilson)

That the Council:

- a) receives the draft 2020 Council Schedule of Reports; and
- b) notes that the Schedule of Reports is intended to be a living document that will be updated as necessary and will be available to Elected Members and Maangai Maaori via Diligent.

12. Delegations to Positions Policy

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

That the Council:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) approves the revised Delegations to Positions Policy (**Attachment 1**), which is to replace the current Delegations to Positions Policy with effect from 4 February 2020.

13. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

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 12 December 2019) Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)
C2. Chair's Report		
C1. Municipal Endowment Fund - Ward Street Sale and Development		
C3. Confirmation of Council Public Excluded Minutes (CE Committee Matters) 12 December 2019		

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 enable Council to carry out negotiations	Section 7 (2) (i)
Item C1.	to enable Council to carry out commercial activities without disadvantage	Section 7 (2) (h)
Item C3.	to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage	Section 7 (2) (j)

The meeting went into a public excluded session at 12.20pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 2.22pm.