

Extraordinary 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 Tuesday 30 November 2021 at 9.30am.

PRESENT

Chairperson Mayor P Southgate

Heamana

Deputy Chairperson Deputy Mayor G Taylor (exclusively via Audio Visual Link)

Heamana Tuarua

Members Cr M Bunting

Cr M Gallagher Cr R Hamilton

Cr D Macpherson (exclusively via Audio Visual Link) Cr K Naidoo-Rauf (exclusively via Audio Visual Link)

Cr M Donovan

Cr A O'Leary (exclusively via Audio Visual Link)

Cr R Pascoe

Cr S Thomson (exclusively via Audio Visual Link)
Cr M van Oosten (exclusively via Audio Visual Link)

Cr E Wilson

In Attendance Lance Vervoort – Chief Executive

David Bryant – General Manager People and Organisational Performance

Michelle Hawthorne – Legal Services Manager Maria Barrie – Unit Director Parks and Recreation

Mark Hammond, Megan Crockett, and Fiona Dalziel – Tompkins Wake

Governance Staff Becca Brooke – Governance Manager

Amy Viggers – Governance Team Leader Tyler Gaukrodger – Governance Advisor

1. Apologies – Tono aroha

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Cr Wilson)

That the apologies for early departure Cr Bunting are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda – Whakatau raarangi take

Resolved: (Mayor Southgate/Cr Wilson)

That the agenda is confirmed noting that:

a) the late report (Council Facility – Vaccination Certificate Policy) is accepted. The late report
was circulated to members under separate cover prior to the meeting due to the time
sensitivity of the matter; and

b) the public excluded report on the same the matter would be removed from the agenda should there be no requirement to move to a public excluded session.

3. Declarations of Interest – Tauaakii whaipaanga

No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.

4. Public Forum – AAtea koorero

No members of public wished to speak.

5. Council Facilities - Vaccination Certificate Policy - Covid-19 Protection Framework

The Chief Executive outlined the report and staff recommendation for the various Council Facilities. He noted that the report did not cover the draft internal staff policy and that this would be addressed via a management policy. Staff responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the logistics for matters such as staff at entrances which would be required to enact the draft policy, cost implications, effect of vaccine exemptions, process for enforcement of the policy at Councils hireable facilities, definition of essential services such as the transport centre building, risks, live-streaming services from the cemetery for those who are unable to attend, H3 venues requiring a valid My Vaccine Pass for entry, agreements with Council's partners such as partnership pools and The Peak that would be in alignment with Councils policy, staff's recommendation, access to Council services for those that are not vaccinated and do not have an exemption, and the obligations of Councils owned leased properties.

Staff confirmed that there would a report to a future Finance Committee meeting concerning the cost implications, as well as regular updates to Elected Members concerning the matters of the staff report.

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Macpherson)

That the Council:

- a) approves to require from 3 December 2021, production of a valid My Vaccine Pass for entry by the public to the:
 - i. Hamilton Pools sites (Waterworld and the Gallagher Aquatic centre); and
 - ii. H3 Sites (Claudelands, FMG Stadium and Seddon Park).
- b) approves to require from 14 December 2021 production of a valid My Vaccine Pass for entry by the public to the:
 - Hamilton Park Cemetery crematorium, chapel and other buildings accessed by the public;
 - ii. Waikato Museum;
 - iii. ArtsPost and i-site;
 - iv. Hamilton Gardens (pavilion, information centre/shop and enclosed gardens);
 - v. Hamilton Zoo;
 - vi. Customer services in the Council Municipal building;
 - vii. Council's Municipal building;
 - viii. Council Chambers;
 - ix. Hamilton City Libraries;
 - x. Other owned and operated Council facilities e.g., Te Rapa Sportsdrome and Enderley Community Centre;

- adopts a policy for all 'in-person' participants at formal Council meetings and Committee meetings, Hearings and official Council Workshops as set out in this report to apply from 14 December;
- d) notes the process the Chief Executive is taking in regard to establishing a policy for Covid 19 vaccinations for staff;
- e) delegates authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Mayor and Chair of the Community Committee to make further decisions on restricting entry to all Council facilities should this be considered necessary for the safety of staff and the community; and
- f) requests the Chief Executive report back to Elected Members regularly concerning the matters outlined in the staff report.

Cr Hamilton Dissenting.

Cr Bunting retired from the meeting (10.50am) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

6. Resolution to Exclude the Public – *The report was not required so was removed from the agenda.*

The meeting was declared closed at 11.02am.