
Growth and Infrastructure Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Tuesday 10 April 2018 at 9.30am.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr D Macpherson
Deputy Chairperson	Cr G Taylor
Members	Mayor A King
	Deputy Mayor M Gallagher
	Cr M Bunting
	Cr J R Casson
	Cr S Henry
	Cr G Mallett
	Cr A O’Leary
	Cr R Pascoe
	Cr P Southgate
	Cr L Tooman
	Cr R Hamilton

In Attendance:

- Jen Baird – General Manager City Growth
- Lance Vervoort – General Manager Community
- Blair Bowcott – Executive Director Special Projects
- Sean Murray – General Manager Venues, Tourism and Major Events
- Eeva-Liisa Wright – City Infrastructure Business Manager
- Robyn Denton – Transportation Operations Team Leader
- Fraser McNutt – Planning Guidance Unit Manager (Acting)
- John Purcell – Parking Enforcement Team Leader
- Andrew Parsons – City Development Manager
- Tracey Buckland – Communications Advisor
- Charlotte Catmur - Waste Minimisation Advisor
- Bridget Morgan – Water Asset Manager
- Trent Fowles – Compliance Manager
- Helen Paki – Community Business Manager
- Alice Morris – City Planning Policy Team Leader
- Kirsty Quickfall – Waste Minimisation Advisor
- Chris Barton – Project Development Manager
- Keith Hornby – Senior Strategic Policy Analyst

- Mike Garrett and Andrew Wilson – Waikato Regional Council Representatives
- Vanessa Williams – HCBA General Manager
- Mike Neale – HCBA Executive Committee Member
- Jason Dawson – Hamilton and Waikato Tourism Chief Executive

Governance Staff: Lee-Ann Jordan – Governance Manager
Becca Brooke – Governance Team leader
Amy Viggers – Committee Advisor

1. Apologies

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Hamilton)

That the apologies from Crs Pascoe and Southgate (lateness), and Deputy Mayor Gallagher (early departure) are accepted.

Cr Southgate noted later in the meeting that she would be leaving the meeting early and asked that this be recorded as an apology.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Casson)

That the agenda is confirmed noting the following:

- Item 19 (Chair's Report) has been circulated under separate cover; and
- There is to be flexibility to order of items to accommodate external guests.

3. Declarations of Interest

No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.

4. Public Forum

Colin Hancock (Trek and Travel) – Spoke to Item 12 (Parking – Central City Trial Update). He noted a positive impact to his business with the free parking trial. He responded to questions from Elected Members regarding the differences he had noticed since the trial started.

Cr Pascoe joined the meeting (9.35am) during the discussion of the above item.

19. Chair's Report

The Chair introduced his report and noted that the 2018 Growth and Infrastructure Committee Schedule of Reports was included within the report. He and staff outlined key points and responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the Central Government's Road Safety Summit and the transport development issues in the North-East of Hamilton.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Deputy Mayor Gallagher)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) approves the 2018 Growth and Infrastructure Committee Schedule of Reports.

5. Confirmation of the Growth and Infrastructure Open Minutes - 20 February 2018

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Taylor)

That the Committee confirm the Open Minutes of the Growth and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 20 February 2018 as a true and correct record.

6. General Managers' Report

The General Manager City Growth took the report as read. Staff responded to questions from Elected Members concerning options to collaborate on projects such as a regional fuel tax, the emerging impact of China's Green Sword policy, and the resource consent process.

Mike Garrett and Andrew Wilson, from Waikato Regional Council, updated Elected Members on regional passenger transport patronage and passenger rail. They responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the new system that would provide more accurate data on the number of people that are using the bus system, and the conversations Waikato Regional Council has had with Central Government about the government owning future rolling stock.

Action: Staff undertook to review the resource consent process to allow for greater Elected Member involvement and then present the process at a future Elected Member Briefing.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Casson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee;

- a) receives the report;
- b) notes that Waipa District Council has declined the opportunity to establish a Shared Waters Management Company and that no further work will be undertaken on this 3-waters collaborative initiative; and
- c) notes that staff will continue to investigate collaborative opportunities as part of asset management planning for the delivery of 3-waters services, with a particular focus on strategic infrastructure solutions, collaboration on Resource Management Act and policy matters and resilience across the greater Hamilton growth area (covering both Hamilton and the growth communities surrounding the city).

Cr Southgate joined the meeting (10.00am) during the discussion of the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

Cr Mallett left the meeting (3.00pm) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

Cr Pascoe left the meeting (3.30pm) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

The meeting adjourned 10.54am – 11.08am during the discussion of the above item.

Following the above adjournment, Item 7 (Hamilton Central Business Association – Six Monthly Update), Item 12 (Parking – Central City Trial), and Item 8 (Hamilton and Waikato Tourism – Half Year Report to 31 December 2017) were taken next to accommodate external presenters in attendance. Item 6 (General Managers Report) was then resumed following these items.

7. Hamilton Central Business Association - Six-Monthly Update

Vanessa Williams (HCBA General Manager) and Mike Neale (HCBA Executive Committee Member) provided a presentation to the Committee, with an update on HCBA from the last 6 months. They responded to questions from Elected Members concerning how HCBA was working with building owners to lessen the number of empty buildings in the CBD, and the type of data that was being produced from the installation of pedestrian cameras. They noted that they had received largely positive feedback from business owners regarding the central city parking trial.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Casson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee accepts the Hamilton Central Business Association (HCBA) Six-month Report ending 31 December 2017.

8. Parking - Central City Trial Update

Cr Taylor (Chair of the Parking Taskforce) introduced the report, noting that the trial had received a positive response from the central city business owners and that the data collected thus far had provided some valuable information but would benefit from further time. The City Infrastructure Business Manager summarised the report and responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the loss of revenue over the course of the trial period, how the system could be updated to better meet the needs of staff, and what information would be included in the report back to the Growth and Infrastructure Committee on 29 May 2018.

Resolved: (Crs Taylor/Macpherson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) requests staff to report back to the 29 May 2018 Growth and Infrastructure Committee with a further update on the central city on-street parking trial with a recommendation on how to proceed beyond the nominated June 2018 trial period.

Those for the Motion: Mayor King, Crs Macpherson, Bunting, Henry, O'Leary, Pascoe, Taylor and Hamilton.

Those against the Motion: Crs Casson, Mallett and Tooman.

The Motion was declared carried.

Deputy Mayor Gallagher left the meeting (12.00pm) during the discussion of the above item. He was not present when the matter was voted on.

Cr Southgate left the meeting (12.15pm) during the discussion of the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

9. Hamilton and Waikato Tourism - Half Year Report to 31 December 2017

Jason Dawson (Hamilton and Waikato Tourism Chief Executive) provided a presentation to Elected Members on the performance of Hamilton and Waikato Tourism from the past 6 months. He responded to questions from Elected Members concerning how data from AirBnB and Bookabach could be used to better understand the accommodation shortage in the city, and how Hamilton and Waikato Tourism was working with other parties to further activate the region as the 'Home of Kingitanga'.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Henry)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee receives the report.

The meeting adjourned (1.33pm – 2.15pm).

Following the above adjournment the meeting resumed with Item 6 (General Managers' Report) before continuing with Item 10 (HCC's Draft 1 Submission to the Draft Waikato Regional Land Transport Plan).

10. HCC's Draft 1 Submission to the Draft Waikato Regional Land Transport Plan

The Transportation Operations Manager introduced the report and noted that an updated copy of attachment 1 (HCC's Draft 2 Submission to WRC's Draft Regional Land Transport Plan) had been circulated to Elected Members with tracked changes and would be attached to these minutes as appendix 1. She responded to questions from Elected Members concerning central government's road safety vision.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves HCC's **Draft 2** submission on the Draft 2018 Waikato Regional Land Transport Plan;
- c) notes that staff will update the submission to reflect the discussion at the 10 April 2018 Growth and Infrastructure Committee Meeting; and
- c) notes the approved submission will be sent to Waikato Regional Council by 11 April 2018 and uploaded to Hamilton City Council's website.

Cr O'Leary left the meeting (3.45pm) during the discussion of the above Item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

11. Speed Management

The Transportation Operations Manager introduced the report and responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the area of Gordonton road that was to be included in the Speed Management Bylaw.

Resolved: (Crs Bunting/Casson)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) approves the commencement of early engagement with community and key stakeholders on the proposed changes to the Hamilton City Speed Limit Bylaw (enabling changes to speed limits by resolution and the proposed introduction of a 60km/h speed limit on Gordonton Road);
- b) approves a Determination Report and Statement of Proposal be prepared based on the outcome of engagement and be presented to the 29 May 2018 Growth and Infrastructure Committee meeting; and
- c) notes that a Speed Management Plan for Hamilton City will be developed in 2018 in conjunction with community and key stakeholders.

Cr O'Leary returned to the meeting (3.53pm) at the conclusion of the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

12. Gordonton Road Corridor Improvements

The City Development Manager introduced the item. He responded to questions from Elected Members concerning how the design of the corridor would future proof the Gordonton and Thomas Roads intersection, and possible safety solutions for the Puketaha and Gordonton Roads intersection.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Bunting)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) approves the macro scope of the upgrade at the Thomas-Gordonton Roads intersection as a signalised intersection; and
- b) approves staff to progress detailed design of the Thomas-Gordonton Roads intersection upgrade to enable construction in the upcoming 2018/19 summer construction season, subject to subsequent funding confirmation from the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA).

13. Borman Road Extension

The City Development Manager introduced the report and noted that there was funding available in the 2017/18 Annual Plan for the contract. He responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the contract development process and the planned connections to Borman Road that were to be considered in a future report to the committee.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Henry)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) approves the award of a contract with Pemberton Civil (Hamilton) Ltd. for the construction of the Borman Road extension to Kay Road with an Approved Contract Sum of \$1,550,000; and
- b) approves the award of a contract with Blue Wallace Surveyors Ltd. for the design and construction supervision of the Borman Road extension to Kay Road with an Approved Contract Sum of \$100,000.

14. Ruakura Reservoir Bulk Watermains (*Recommendation to Council*)

The City Development Manager introduced the item noting that the works were in accordance with the Ruakura Private Development Agreement previously resolved at a Council meeting. He responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the positive reputation of the contractor and the inclusion of a contingency sum in the contract which was common practice.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Tooman)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) receive the report;
- b) recommends to Council the award of Contract 17141 to West Construction 2011 Ltd for the installation of a new bulk water supply to Ruakura with an Approved Contract Sum of \$4,200,000.00; and
- c) delegate authority to the General Manager City Infrastructure to execute Contract 17141 and approve all contract progress payments up to the Approved Contract Sum, subject to Council approval of contract award as outlined in b).

15. Private Developer Agreement Tasman Greig Development Limited (*Recommendation to Council*)

The City Development Manager introduced the item noting that the funding was unbudgeted for the Private Developers Agreement and therefore would be recorded on the Risk and Opportunities Register. He responded to questions from Elected Members concerning funding the Private Developer Agreement through savings from other projects and the risks Council could face if they were to purchase the land at a later date. It was confirmed that construction of the road through the Private Developer Agreement would complete the planned road network in the area.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Taylor)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) delegates authority to the Chief Executive to enter into a Private Developer Agreement with Tasman Grieg Development Limited for the acquisition of land and the construction of a collector road, noting that funding is available for the land acquisition and road construction in the current financial year within the roading upgrade programme for Rotokauri; and
- b) recommends to the Council that \$2.335 million be included on the Risk and Opportunities Register for the land acquisition and road construction, and that this cost be offset by savings from CE15090, Roothing Upgrades and Development in Rotokauri.

Cr Casson Dissenting.

Cr O'Leary retired the meeting (4.41pm) during the discussion of the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

An extension of time was moved at 4.48pm as per Standing Order 3.2.7.

Resolved: (Crs Macpherson/Hamilton)

That the meeting be extended beyond 6 hours to 5.15pm, as per Standing Order 3.2.7.

16. Rototuna Town Centre Community Facilities - Options and Engagement

The Community Business Manager introduced the report and responded to questions from Elected Members concerning the expression of interest process and timeframes in relation to adoption of the Draft 10 Year Plan 2018-28.

Resolved: (Mayor King/Cr Henry)

That the Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- a) approves staff to carry out an expression of interest process and appointment for an independent consultant (by July 2018) to complete an options report (subject to 10 YP 2018-28 budget approval) for the Rototuna Town Centre community facilities; and
- b) approves staff to undertake a public engagement process for Rototuna Town Centre community facilities and associated infrastructure to inform the options report.

