
Strategic Growth Committee

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Strategic Growth Committee held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Thursday 13 February 2020 at 9.31am.

PRESENT

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

In Attendance: Richard Briggs – Chief Executive
Jen Baird – General Manager City Growth
Chris Allen – General Manager Development
Eeva-Liisa Wright – General Manager Infrastructure Operations
Blair Bowcott – Executive Director Special Projects
Karen Saunders – Peacocke Programme Manager
Nigel Ward – Communication and Engagement Team Leader
Greg Carstens – Growth, Funding and Analytics Unit Manager
Andrew Parsons – Strategic Development Manager
Luke O’Dwyer – City Planning Manager
Lucie Robinson – CIP Project Manager
Robyn Denton – Network Operations and Use Manager

Governance Staff: Amy Viggers – Governance Team Leader
Rebecca Watson and Claire Guthrie – Governance Advisors

1. Apologies

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the apologies for partial absence from Crs Thomson and Naidoo-Rauf and for lateness from Mayor Southgate are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the agenda is confirmed.

3. Declarations of Interest

No members of the Committee declared a Conflict of Interest.

4. Public Forum

Andrea Graves spoke to Item 8 (*Peacocks Programme Update*), noting Rototuna is seen as a typical subdivision in New Zealand. She advised that overseas there are subdivisions there were designed with the environment and other modes of transport at the forefront. She requested Hamilton follow the design principles seen overseas in these subdivisions.

Cr Forsyth joined the meeting (9.35am) during the above item.

Mayor Southgate joined the meeting (9.37am) during the above item.

5. Strategic Growth Committee Chairs Report - 13 February 2020

The Chair spoke to the report, noting that when reports are included in the agenda for information only and no decision is required, any questions should be directed to staff outside of the meeting.

The Chair responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the process of raising questions if Members are not able to attend meetings or workshops.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Bunting)

That the Strategic Growth Committee receives the report.

6. General Manager's Report

The report was taken in parts.

The General Manager City Growth spoke to the subject of infill, providing Committee Members with an overview of projects.

The Executive Director Special Projects spoke to the report sections concerning Future Proof, the strategic regional collaboration update and UNISA. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the District Plan, the status of current projects and process for items being raised at Futureproof meetings.

Staff action: *Staff undertook to circulate the date of the next Futureproof meeting to Members.*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Wilson)

That the Strategic Growth Committee receives the report.

Cr Thomson left the meeting (10.32am) during the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

The meeting adjourned from 10.55am to 11.25am.

7. Infrastructure Funding and Financing Models - Project Update and Legislative Process

The CIP Project Manager and Executive Director Special Projects spoke to the report, noting the dates for submissions to the Draft Infrastructure Funding and Financing Bill had been moved. This meant that the Council draft submission would be presented at the 12 March 2020 Council meeting.

Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning:

- potential development of community structure in Rotokauri;
- process of development of business cases and benefits of using them;
- stormwater system standards; and
- ability to use the Infrastructure Funding and Finance model to fund retrospective projects and to fund community infrastructure.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Wilson)

That the Strategic Growth Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) notes that legislation to enable the Infrastructure Funding and Financing model (the Infrastructure Funding and Financing Bill) has been publicly announced and referred to the Transport and Infrastructure Committee for submissions as part of the Select Committee process;
- c) notes that detailed analysis is being undertaken by Crown Infrastructure Partners and Hamilton City Council, as part of a Feasibility Case, regarding a possible alternative infrastructure funding and financing model for the Rotokauri and Peacocke growth cells; and
- d) requests staff to report back at the completion of the Detailed Business Case for Rotokauri and Peacocke growth cells by mid-2020, noting that updates will also be given in General Manager Reports at each appropriate Committee meeting up to that point.

Mayor Southgate joined the meeting (11.34am) during the item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

8. Peacocke Programme Update

The report was taken as read.

Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning:

- conditions placed on the Amberfield development and process of developing an opinion on resource consent conditions;
- key community stakeholders and development of community assets;
- partnerships with neighbouring Councils;
- the structure plan;

- impact of a potential structure plan update on resource consents which have been already lodged or granted;
- implications of current case before the environment court; and
- budget.

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to include in the future reports an update on conversations with key community stakeholders.*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr van Oosten)

That the Strategic Growth Committee receives the report.

Cr Thomson joined the meeting (12.37pm) during the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

The meeting adjourned from 12.40pm to 1.30pm.

Cr Naidoo-Rauf left the meeting during the above adjournment.

Mayor Southgate left the meeting during the above adjournment.

9. National Transport Policy Submissions

The report was taken as read. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning efficiency of rail services vs road transport, effects on speed limits through the speed management plan, and standards of roading.

It was noted that point 5.4 in the submission would be updated to read “that would service *either* road or rail need into the future”.

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to schedule a future report back to the Infrastructure Operations Committee on speed management.*

Staff Action: *Staff undertook to include cultural considerations when drafting submissions.*

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Wilson)

That the Strategic Growth Committee:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) receives the report on the Upper North Island Supply Chain Strategy; and
- c) approves the draft submissions attached to this report for;
 - i. Draft New Zealand Rail Plan
 - ii. Arataki
 - iii. Investment Decision Making Framework
 - iv. Land Transport (Rail) Legislation Bill
 - v. Land Transport (NZTA) Legislation Amendment Bill.

Cr Thomson left the meeting (1.53pm) during the above item. She was not present when the matter was voted on.

10. HCC draft submission on the Urban Development Bill

The Executive Director Special Projects took the report as read. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the Resource Management Act.

Resolved: (Cr Bunting/Deputy Mayor Taylor)

2. That the Strategic Growth Committee:

- a) receives the report;
- b) approves HCC's **Draft 3** submission to the Select Committee on the Urban Development Bill; and
- c) notes the final submission will be sent to the Select Committee following approval by the Strategic Growth Committee.

Cr Thomson rejoined the meeting (1.59pm) during the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

11. Development Contributions Remissions Quarters 1 & 2 2020

The Growth, Funding and Analytics Unit Manager spoke to the report, and provided an overview of the differing types of Development Contributions remissions available. Staff responded to questions from Committee Members concerning the increase of developments in the CBD since the remission policy has been in place.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr Hamilton)

That the Strategic Growth Committee receives the report.

Mayor Southgate rejoined the meeting (2.07pm) during the above item. She was present when the matter was voted on.

12. Strategic Growth Committee Draft Schedule of Reports 2020

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr van Oosten)

That the Strategic Growth Committee:

- a) receives the draft 2020 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 made available to Elected Members and Maangai Maaori on Diligent.

13. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved: (Cr Macpherson/Cr van Oosten)

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. Ruakura Road West Expressway Connection) Good reason to withhold) information exists under) Section 7 Local Government) Official Information and) Meetings Act 1987)	Section 48(1)(a)

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 avoid the unreasonably, likely prejudice to the commercial position of a person who supplied or is the subject of the information to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence where disclosure would likely damage the public interest	Section 7 (2) (b) (ii) Section 7 (2) (c) (ii)
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The meeting moved into a public excluded session at 2.30pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 3.24pm.