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Report of the Meeting of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Friday, 23 November 2007 at 8.34 am

Matters for Wellington Regional Council decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.

Matters for Information of the Wellington Regional Council are in italic type.

Present

Mayor Brash (Porirua City Council) Mayor Guppy (Upper Hutt City Council) Mayor Rowan (Kapiti Coast District Council) Mayor Ogden (Lower Hutt City Council) Mayor Prendergast (Wellington City Council) Mayor Staples (South Wairarapa District Council) Councillor Wilde (Wellington Regional Council)

Officers Present

Benham, Davis, Reay, and Sangster (Greater Wellington Regional Council) Pedersen (Upper Hutt City Council) Poole (Wellington City Council)

Public- Business

Procedural Item

WRS 01 Apologies

There were no apologies.

WRS 02 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

WRS 03 **Public Participation**

No members of the public wished to participate in the meeting.

WRS 04 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Mayor Prendergast/Mayor Guppy)

That the Committee:

Confirms the minutes of the meeting of 1 October 2007, Report 07.699

Matter for Decision

WRS 05 Amendment to the Terms of Reference

Report 07.763

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Resolved

(Mayor Prendergast/Mayor Guppy)

That the Committee:

- *1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.

3. Recommends to Council that the Terms of Reference for the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee be amended to include the following provision:

"Notwthstanding the order drawn by lot, the Chair of the Committee will automatically be moved to the bottom of the order of retirement and the order previously drawn will be amended to reflect this".

Other Matters

WRS 06 Questions

Mayor Brash asked about progress of the Regional Economic Development Agency. She was informed by officers that the Agency had been in operation since 1 July 2007, setting up and deciding how it should move forward.

It was decided that the committee will request a quarterly report, and ask the agency to give an oral presentation at the WRS meeting of 3 December 2007.

WRS 07 General

There were no matters of general business.

WRS 08 Exclusion of the Public

Report 07.764

File: E/06/26/02

Resolved

the

(Mayor Staples/Mayor Brash)

That the Committee

Exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Appointment of non-local government members of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons 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 are as follows:

General	Reason for passing this resolution	Ground under section
subject of	in relation to each	48(1) for the passing of
each matter		this resolution
to be		
considered:		

Appointment of non-local report relates to the appointment of the whole or the relevant government non-local government members to part of the proceedings of members of the Wellington Regional Strategy the meeting would be *Committee*. Release of *Wellington* information would prejudice their Regional privacy by disclosing the fact that Strategy they are being considered, and have Committee expressed interest, in becoming members of the Wellington Regional Committee. Strategy If this information were disclosed it may discourage potential members from expressing an interest in being appointed to the committee. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring particular disclosure this of information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override his privacy.

The information contained in this That the public conduct of this likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under sections 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to protect the privacy of natural persons).

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) 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 the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

The open parrt of the meeting closed at 8.49 am

Cr FH Wilde Acting Chair

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 25 February 2008

To be moved:

That Council

Adopts the report of the meeting of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee held on 23 November 2007, Item WRS 01 to WRS 08 inclusive.