

## Confirmed Minutes of the Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Shed 39, 2 Fryatt Quay, Pipitea, Wellington, on Thursday, 12 June 2014 at 9.34am

#### Present

Councillors Wilde (Chair), Aitken, Brash, Bruce, Donaldson, Greig, Kedgley, Laban, Lamason, Swain and Wilson (from 9.51am).

# **Public Business**

#### 1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Lamason)

That the Council accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Laidlaw and McPhee.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### 2 Additional item for discussion

The Chair advised councillors that there would be an update on a property purchase that was resolved at Council's meeting on 21 May 2014 during public excluded business.

#### **3 Conflict of Interest declarations**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

#### 4 **Public Participation**

Rick Zwaan spoke to agenda item 6 – Finalisation of the Annual Plan 2014/15.

#### 5 **Confirmation of minutes**

(Cr Lamason/ Cr Wilde)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of 15 May 2014, Report 14.271.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Aitken)

That the Council confirms the public minutes of 21 May 2014, Report 14.280, subject to the recording of Councillors Bruce and Kedgley's votes against resolution 3 in agenda item 5 – GWRC submission on the NZTA's Petone to Grenada Link road.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

## **Strategy/Policy/Major Issues**

#### 6 **Report of the Annual Plan 2014/15 Hearing Committee**

**Report 14.294** 

Moved

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- *3.* Agrees to finalise the Annual Plan 2014/15 with the following amendments:
  - a. no public transport fare increase in 2014/15
  - b. amendment of an error relating to the development of the Rimutaka Summit site
  - c. reference to GWRC's continuing participation in the Wellington Regional Recreation Initiatives Group
  - d. \$30,000 additional funding for Enviroschools in 2014/15, with reports-back on progress against the KPIs expected through the year.
- 4. Agrees in principle to the proposal for the integrated delivery of water services set out in the Statement of Proposal, subject to resolving any issues of detail with shareholding councils.
- 5. Notes that the Committee has yet to undertake and complete its deliberations on the Draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2014 and agrees to the Committee reporting its recommendations to the Council meeting on 26 June 2014.

Moved

File: SP/11/01/01

(Cr Donaldson/ Cr Aitken)

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted: the Council thanked the Chair of the Annual Plan 2014/15 Hearing Committee.

### 7 **Finalisation of the Annual Plan 2014/15**

**Report 14.291** 

File: E/12/01/04

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Donaldson)

Moved

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the recommendation of the Annual Plan 2014/15 Hearing Committee that there should be no passenger transport fare increase for 2014/15 and that an additional \$30,000 should be allocated to the Enviro School programme.
- 4. Approves the operating expenditure items listed within Attachment I of this report to be rebudgeted to 2014/15 and included within the 2014/15 Annual Plan.
- 5. Approves the capital expenditure items listed within Attachment 2 of this report to be rebudgeted to 2014/15 and included within the 2014/15 Annual Plan.
- 6. Approves the operating expenditure adjustments within this report for inclusion within the 2014/15 Annual Plan.
- 7. With regard to the proceeds from the sale of forestry cutting rights:
  - *i.* Approves the full repayment of the outstanding forestry debt from the proceeds.
  - *ii.* Approves \$500,000 from the forestry cutting rights surplus being transferred to a forestry capital project reserve to be utilised for capital projects required on the forestry land.
  - *iii.* Approves any remaining funding surplus from the forestry cutting rights surplus being transferred to an above ground asset insurance fund to be utilised to manage the ongoing insurance programme of council.
- 8. Approves the rate increase of 5.7% and the bulk water levy increase of 2.5% for the 2014/15 year for inclusion in the Annual Plan 2014/15, to be considered by the Council on 26 June 2014.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Noted: the Council thanked officers for their work on the Annual Plan 2014/15.

#### 8 **Exclusion of the public**

#### **Report 14.304**

Moved

(Cr Wilde/ Cr Lamason)

File: E/12/01/04

That the Council:

*Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:* 

- 1. Confirmation of the Public Excluded Council minutes of 21 May 2014
- 2. Transmission Gully – compensation agreements
- 3. Appointment of a non-Councillor member to Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee
- 4. Grow Wellington board reappointments
- 5. Proposed property purchase
- 6. Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 15 May 2014
- 7. Chief Executive Key Performance Indicators 2014/15

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

1. Confirmation of the Public Excluded Council minutes of 21 May 2014	Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) entering into land purchase agreements which are not unconditional. Release of this information would disadvantage GWRC if further negotiations were to take place as it would reveal	whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to enable GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or
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2. Transmission Gully – compensation agreements

The information contained in this report relates to Council entering into agreement an for compensation which is not full and final. Release of this information would disadvantage the Council in the negotiations as it would reveal information on GWRC's negotiation strategy. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to enable GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).

3. Appointment of a non-Councillor member to Te Upoko Taiao – Natural Resource Management Committee The information contained in this report relates to the proposed appointment of a non-Councillor member to the Committee. Release of this information would prejudice the proposed member's privacy by disclosing the fact that they are considered. and being have expressed interest in, becoming a member of the Committee. GWRC has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override the privacy of the individual concerned.

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to protect the privacy of natural persons).

4. Grow Wellington The information contained in this report relates to the proposed board reappointments appointment of directors to Grow Wellington. Release of this information would prejudice the proposed appointees' privacy by disclosing the fact that they are being considered as directors of the region's economic development agency. GWRC has not been able public interest to identify а favouring disclosure of this particular information in public

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proceedings of the meeting that would override the privacy of the individuals concerned.

5. Proposed The information contained in this property purchase report relates to a land purchase agreement. The agreement is not unconditional. The report outlines terms of the proposed purchase which may still be negotiated. which Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage GWRC if further negotiations were to take place as it would reveal GWRC's negotiation strategy. GWRC has not been able identify a public interest to favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to enable GWRC to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations).

6. Confirmation of the Restricted Public Excluded minutes of 15 May 2014

Certain information contained in these minutes relates to the sale of forestry cutting rights. Release of this information would be likely to prejudice GWRC's commercial position. GWRC has not been able public to identify a interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice to their commercial position.

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7(2)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information where the making available of that information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or is the subject of the information).

7. Chief Executive Key Performance Indicators The information contained in this report relates to the Chief Executive's performance Release this agreement. of information would prejudice the *Chief Executive's* privacy by

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disclosing details of performance agreement with the section 7(2)(a) of the Local Council. GWRC has not been able Government Official Information to identify a public interest and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to favouring disclosure of particular information in public persons). proceedings of the meeting that would override their privacy.

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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 motion was CARRIED.

The public part of the meeting closed at 9.56am.

FH Wilde (Chair)

Date: