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Report 02.29

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Record of the Meeting of the Special Policy and Finance Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 31 January 2002 at 10.00am

Matters for Council Decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.

Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.

Present

Councillors Shields (Chairperson), Aitken, Barr, Buchanan, Evans, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Thomas, Turver, Werry and Yardley

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Cross, Darroch, Forlong, Maguire, Stone, Schollum, Wright and Dr Bradbury

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 07 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

Matters for Consideration

P&F 08 Parliamentary Select Committee: Inquiry into 2001 Local Body Elections

Report 02.15 File: E/1/1/24

Moved (Cr Barr/Cr Werry)

That the Regional Council supports a reduction on the upper limit on candidates' election expenses.

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Moved (Cr Barr/Cr Werry)

- 1. That the election period be reduced from three weeks to two weeks.
- 2. That the District Health Board election information be distributed to voters in a package separate to the Local Body elections information.

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Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Long/Cr Laidlaw)

- (1) That the Select Committee be advised that the WRC is satisfied with the manner in which the legislation worked for this Council's elections, but the points raised in Report 01.15 be discussed in the submission.
- (2) That the Select Committee be advised:
 - 1. The election period should be reduced from three weeks to two weeks.
 - 2. The District Health Board election information be distributed to voters in a package separate to the Local Bodies election information.

P&F 09 Wainuiomata Tunnel Easement to Hutt City Council and Hutt City Council Easement to Wellington Regional Council

Report 02.2 File: B/10/30/1

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Kirton/Cr Shields)

- (1) That the Wellington Regional Council agrees to accept the sum of \$500,000 plus GST (if any) from the Hutt City Council, in accordance with the Easement Agreement between the two Councils for the Wainuiomata Tunnel and associated right of way from Waiu Street.
- (2) That the Hutt City Council is requested to make payment of the easement instalments in accordance with the Easement Agreement.

P&F 10 **Exclusion of the Public**

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Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Long)

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- Wainuiomata Tunnel Easement to Hutt City Council and Valuation (1)
- Proposal to Exchange Land Between the Wellington Regional Council and (2) Hutt City Council
- (3) Composition of Boards of Directors -Council LATE's
- (4) Tranz Metro Update

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:

considered:

General subject of Reason for passing this each matter to be resolution in relation to each

Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution

(1) Tunnel Easement Hutt to Council and Valuation

Wainuiomata Because of the need to carry on commercial City negotiations

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 withholding exists (ie to carry on commercial negotiations)

(2) Exchange Between theWellington Regional Council and Hutt City Council

Proposal to Because of the need to Land preserve commercial confidentiality

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 exists (ie to preserve commercial *confidentiality*)

(3) Composition of Because of the need to of protect the privacy of **Boards** Directors –Council natural persons LATE's

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 exists (ie toprotect the privacy of natural persons)

(4)Tranz Metro Because of the need to Update carry on commercial negotiations

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 exists (ie to carry on commercial negotiations)

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 of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Wellington Regional Council (1), (2), (3) and (4)

The open part of the meeting closed at 10.25am.

Cr M K SHIELDS Chairperson

Date: