

Extraordinary Whangarei District Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, 6 March, 2019
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Location: Council Chamber
Forum North, Rust Avenue
Whangarei

In Attendance

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai
(Chairperson)
Cr Stu Bell
Cr Gavin Benney
Cr Crichton Christie
Cr Vince Cocurullo
Cr Tricia Cutforth
Cr Shelley Deeming
Cr Sue Glen
Cr Phil Halse
Cr Cherry Hermon
Cr Greg Innes
Cr Greg Martin
Cr Sharon Morgan
Cr Anna Murphy

Scribe C Brindle (Senior Democracy Adviser)

1. Karakia

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

3. Apology

Cr Murphy (late arrival)

Moved By Cr Tricia Cutforth

Seconded By Cr Shelley Deeming

That the apology be sustained.

Carried

The Mayor advised the meeting that members of the public would be recording the meeting.

The motion to consider Item 4.2 Civic Centre Project under urgency was taken prior to discussion on Item 4.1.

4. Decision Reports

4.1 Notice of Motion

Moved By Cr Stu Bell

Seconded By Cr Vince Cocurullo

1. That in accordance with clause 30 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 the Chief Executive Review Committee be discharged.
2. That Council oversee the Chief Executive's performance and conditions of the Chief Executive's employment and annual remuneration.

Lost

Cr Murphy joined the meeting at 8.34am during discussions on Item 4.1.

4.2 Civic Centre Project

Item 4.2 was circulated separate to the agenda but not within the timeframe specified in LGOIMA. At the 21 February Council meeting, council resolved to lie discussions on the Civic Centre for two weeks to allow council to select the site based on the sites that had already been identified. Discussions on site options took place on 4 March, after the agenda had been distributed. Council should consider Item 4.2 at this meeting in order to progress the Civic Centre Project without undue further delay.

Moved By Cr Sharon Morgan

Seconded By Cr Cherry Hermon

That Council discuss the Civic Centre Site at today's meeting.

Carried

Moved By Cr Phil Halse

Seconded By Cr Sue Glen

That Council agree that the preferred site for the development of a new Civic Centre is the Forum North/RSA site.

Amendment

Moved By Cr Greg Innes

Seconded By Cr Tricia Cutforth

That council agree that the preferred site for the development of a new Civic Centre is the Vine/Rose Street precinct.

On the amendment being put Cr Martin called for a division:

Recorded	For	Against	Abstain
Her Worship the Mayor		X	
Cr Stu Bell	X		
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Crichton Christie		X	
Cr Vince Cocurullo		X	
Cr Tricia Cutforth	X		
Cr Shelley Deeming		X	
Cr Sue Glen		X	
Cr Phil Halse		X	
Cr Cherry Hermon		X	
Cr Greg Innes	X		
Cr Greg Martin		X	
Cr Sharon Morgan	X		
Cr Anna Murphy		X	
Results	5	9	0

The amendment was Lost (5 to 9)

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Her Worship the Mayor	X		
Cr Stu Bell		X	
Cr Gavin Benney	X		
Cr Crichton Christie	X		
Cr Vince Cocurullo	X		
Cr Tricia Cutforth		X	
Cr Shelley Deeming	X		
Cr Sue Glen	X		

Cr Phil Halse	X		
Cr Cherry Hermon	X		
Cr Greg Innes			X
Cr Greg Martin	X		
Cr Sharon Morgan		X	
Cr Anna Murphy	X		
Results	10	3	1

The motion was Carried (10 to 3)

Cr Hermon was absent from the meeting from 9.24am to 9.26 am during discussions on Item 4.2.

5. Public Excluded Business

Moved By Cr Shelley Deeming

Seconded By Cr Greg Martin

That the public be excluded from the following parts of proceedings of this meeting. 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 are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing this resolution
1.1	Civic Centre	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 the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, are as follows:

Item	Grounds	Section
1.1	To enable Council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	Section 7(2)(i)

Carried

6. Closure of Meeting

The meeting concluded at 11.59am

Confirmed this 28th day of March 2019

Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson)