

2. Minutes: Whangarei District Council Wednesday, 28 November 2012

Minutes of a meeting of the Whangarei District Council held in the Council Chamber, Forum North on Wednesday 28 November 2012 at 10.00am

Present:

His Worship the Mayor M C A Cutforth (Chairperson)

Crs C B Christie, S J Deeming, A J Edwards, S M Glen, P R Halse, J S Jongejans, G M Martin, B L McLachlan, S L Morgan, K J Sutherland, W L Syers, M R Williams and J D T Williamson

Also present:

Area Commander Tracy Phillips and Sergeant Steve Dickson (New Zealand Police)

In Attendance:

Chief Executive Officer (M P Simpson), Group Manager District Living (P Dell), Group Manager Infrastructure and Services (S Weston), Group Manager Support Services (A Adcock), Group Manager Positive Growth (J Thompson), Economic Development Manager (P Gleeson), Governance Manager (D Kula), Property Manager (M Hibbert), Community Services Manager (O Thomas), Senior Communications Advisor (R Pascoe), Solid Waste Engineer (J Langsford), Senior Strategic Planner (D Coleman), Community Safety Officer (D Palmer), Communications Consultant (S Halliwell), Executive Assistant (J Walters), Councillor Support (J Crocombe) and Senior Meeting Co-ordinator (C Brindle)

1. Public Forum

There were no applications to speak at this months public forum.

2. Confirmation of Minutes of a Meeting of the Whangarei District Council held on 24 October 2012

Moved: Cr Syers
Seconded: Cr Williamson

"That the minutes of the meeting of the Whangarei District Council held on Wednesday 24 October 2012, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting."

CARRIED

3. Confirmation of Minutes of an Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Whangarei District Council meeting held 14 November 2012

Moved: Cr Deeming
Seconded: Cr Edwards

"That the minutes of Extra-ordinary meeting of the Whangarei District Council held on Wednesday 14 November 2012, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting."

CARRIED

4. Confirmation of Minutes of a meeting of the 20/20 Inner City Development (City Centre/Urban Design) Subcommittee held 17 October 2012

Moved: Cr Halse
Seconded: Cr Deeming

"That the minutes of the 20/20 Inner City Development (City Centre/Urban Design) Subcommittee held on Wednesday 17 October 2012, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting."

CARRIED

5. Police Report

Area Commander Tracy Phillips spoke to the report and answered questions from Councillors.

Moved: His Worship the Mayor
Seconded: Cr Glen

"That the information be received."

CARRIED

His Worship the Mayor and Councillors congratulated Inspector Phillips on her recent promotion to the Area Commander position and acknowledged her appointment with a gift of a plant and a Whangarei 'Love it Here' t-shirt.

6. Northland Regional Council Representation Arrangements Review Final Proposal

Moved: Cr Williams
Seconded: Cr Halse

- "1. That Council receive this information.
2. That Council adopt the relevant sections of this agenda as an appeal on the Final Proposal for the Northland Regional Council 2012 Representation Arrangements Review.
3. That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make any changes agreed at this meeting and any necessary drafting, typographical or presentation corrections required to finalise the appeal.
4. That the Chief Executive Officer and the Chair of the Finance and Support Committee be delegated to be heard in support of the adopted appeal and undertake any actions required to conclude Whangarei District Council participation in the representation review process."

CARRIED

7. Submission on the Proposed Regional Policy Statement

Tabled: Documents 1 – 13, listed on the agenda as 'available on request'.

Moved: Cr Edwards

Seconded: Cr Morgan

- "1. That the report and attachments be received.
2. That the documents made available be acknowledged.
3. That the submission on the Proposed Regional Policy Statement for Northland as contained in Agenda Attachment 3, be adopted and sent to the Northland Regional Council.
4. That staff be delegated to finalise the administrative process.
5. That staff be delegated to attend pre-hearing meetings (if any) and present submission at a hearing."

CARRIED

8. Proposed Development of 8-10 Dent Street

Moved: Cr Jongejans

Seconded: Cr Williamson

- "1. That the information be received.
2. Following consideration of the proposal to sell or otherwise dispose of the properties at 8-10 Dent Street and following consideration of written and verbal submissions received, both in support of and in opposition to such proposal, Council determines that it continue with the proposal to sell or otherwise dispose of the properties at 8-10 Dent Street being legally defined as:
 - Lot 53 Allotment 1 Parish of Whangarei, Certificates of Title NA 518/297
 - Lot 54 Allotment 1 Parish of Whangarei, Certificates of Title NA 2B/818;for development for tourist/visitor hotel/accommodation purposes subject to the terms of any such development being approved by formal resolution of Council.
3. Council acknowledges the concerns of submitters about the need for a continued child care facility in the nature of that provided by Forum North Child Care and Education Centre in the inner city. Therefore pending any sale or disposition of the properties at 8 – 10 Dent Street, Council agrees to allow for a minimum notice period of 12 months, under the same terms and conditions of the now expired lease to explore relocation options.
4. Council acknowledges the expressions of concern from those submissions specific to tenants of the Almond Court Flats and similarly provides a minimum notice period of 12 months before any development of the property proceeds.
5. Council staff are to engage in further discussions with both the Child Care Centre and tenants of the Almond Court Flats to clarify suitable alternatives and report to Council on progress within 6 months."

CARRIED

On the motion being put Cr Halse called for a division:

For the motion:

Crs Halse, Edwards, Deeming, Williams, Williamson, McLachlan, Martin, Glen, Jongejans, Morgan, Syers and His Worship the Mayor (12)

Against the motion:

Crs Christie and Sutherland (2)

CARRIED

Exclusion of public

Moved: Cr Syers
Seconded: Cr Glen

“That the public be excluded from the following part(s) of this meeting namely:

Item C.1 Contract Extension

Item C.2 Property Transaction

Item C.3 Property Proposal

Reasons To enable the council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage,
commercial activities.

Grounds Section 7(2)(h).”

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 11.24am

Confirmed this 19th day of December 2012

M C A Cutforth (Chairperson)