

ORDINARY MEETING

OF

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Time: 09:30
Date: Wednesday, 28 March 2018
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

PRESENT

Mayor Lester (Chairperson)
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Calvi-Freeman
Councillor Dawson
Councillor Day
Councillor Fitzsimons
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Gilbert
Councillor Lee
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

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1 Meeting Conduct

1.0 Karakia

The Mayor opened the meeting with a karakia.

Whakataka te hau ki te uru,	Cease oh winds of the west
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.	and of the south
Kia mākinakina ki uta,	Let the bracing breezes flow,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.	over the land and the sea.
E hī ake ana te atākura.	Let the red-tipped dawn come
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.	with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
Tihei Mauri Ora!	a promise of a glorious day

1.1 Apologies

No apologies were received.

1.2 Announcements by the Mayor

The Mayor spoke about the recent passing away of the former mayoress Lady Lawrence, the wife of former mayor Sir Ian Lawrence, and the recent retirement from Wellington City Council of two long-serving staff members, Robyn McDonald and Derek Fry.

(Councillor Free arrived at the meeting at 9:33am)

(Councillor Foster arrived at the meeting at 9:35am)

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Mayor Lester, seconded Councillor Gilbert

Resolved

That the Council:

Approve the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 1 March 2018, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

1.6 Public Participation

Two requests for public participation were received relating to item 2.1, Representation Review for the 2019/2022 local body elections. Both requests were declined to ensure that everyone has an equal opportunity to present their views, which is through the formal consultation period scheduled for April/May.

2. General Business

2.1 Representation Review for the 2019/2022 local body elections

Moved Councillor Day, seconded Councillor Young

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Agree, in accordance with sections 19H and 19J of the Local Electoral Act 2001, to adopt as its initial proposal for the review of representation arrangements:
 - i. Wellington City Council comprising 14 councillors elected under the ward system, plus the mayor elected at large;
 - ii. Wellington City Council be divided into five wards, these being:
 - Motukairangi / Eastern Ward** (3 councillors) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on SO Plan 37887 (Breaker Bay, Hataitai, Houghton Bay, Karaka Bays, Kilbirnie, Lyall Bay, Maupuia, Miramar, Moa Point, Rongotai, Roseneath, Seatoun and Strathmore Park) with the addition of Southgate, the proposed boundaries of which are shown on Attachment 3;
 - Paekawakawa / Southern Ward** (2 councillors) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on SO Plan 37888 (Berhampore, part Brooklyn, Island Bay, Kingston, Mornington, Newtown, Owhiro Bay and Vogeltown) with the exclusion of Southgate and the inclusion of the balance of Brooklyn, the proposed boundaries of which are shown on Attachment 4;
 - Pukehīnau / Lambton Ward** (3 councillors), being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on SO Plan 37886 (Aro Valley, Highbury, Kelburn, Mt Cook, Mt Victoria, Oriental Bay, Pipitea, Te Aro, Thorndon and Wellington Central) with the exclusion of part of Brooklyn, the proposed boundaries of which are shown on Attachment 5;
 - Takapū / Northern Ward** (3 councillors) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on SO Plan 37883 (Churton Park, Glenside, Grenada North, Grenada Village, Horokiwi, Johnsonville, Newlands, Ohariu, Paparangi, Takapū Valley, Tawa and Woodridge) with the addition of a small part of Ohariu, the proposed boundaries of which are shown on Attachment 6;
 - Wharangi / Onslow-Western Ward** (3 councillors) being the existing ward comprising the area delineated on SO Plan 335633 (Broadmeadows,

Crofton Downs, Kaiwharawhara, Karori, Khandallah, Makara, Makara Beach, Ngaio, Ngauranga, Northland, Wadestown and Wilton) with the exclusion of part of Brooklyn and a small part of Ohariu, the proposed boundaries of which are shown on Attachment 7;

- iii. two community boards electing 12 members, these being:

Makara/Ohariu Community Board (6 members elected from the community at large) being the existing community board area comprising the area delineated on LG-047-2013-Com-1 deposited with the Local Government Commission, with the exclusion of parts of Brooklyn and Owhiro Bay, the proposed boundaries of which are shown on Attachment 8 (boundaries to match the proposed ward boundaries);

Tawa Community Board (6 members elected from the community at large plus two councillors representing the Takapū / Northern Ward as appointed by Council) being the existing community board area comprising the area delineated on LG-047-2015-Com-1 deposited with the Local Government Commission, the proposed boundaries of which are shown on Attachment 9;

- iv. the reason the total number of councillors is proposed to remain at 14 (plus the mayor) is to provide effective representation to Wellington residents and ratepayers;
- v. the reasons for the ward boundary alterations are to better reflect communities of interest (specifically uniting the suburb of Brooklyn into one ward) and fairer representation (specifically the Southgate suburb);
- vi. as two of the proposed wards are marginally non-compliant with fair representation (+/- 10% rule), if the initial proposal is confirmed by Council as its final proposal, the proposal must be treated as an appeal under section 19V (5) of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and referred to the Local Government Commission following the appeal/objection period;
- vii. the above initial proposal be submitted for formal public consultation, including inviting submissions in the period 4 April to 4 May 2018.

A division was required under Standing Order 3.18.6(d), voting on which was as follows:

For:

Mayor Lester
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Calvi-Freeman
Councillor Dawson
Councillor Day
Councillor Fitzsimons
Councillor Foster
Councillor Free
Councillor Gilberd
Councillor Lee
Councillor Marsh
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Sparrow
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

2.2 Pacific Advisory Group seeks increased representation for Wellington's Pacific Communities

Moved Councillor Dawson, seconded Councillor Day

Resolved

That the Council:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note that the current 12 members of the Pacific Advisory Group (PAG) are concerned that some Pacific communities in Wellington are not adequately represented, namely Samoa, Tuvalu and Micronesia
3. Agree that Democracy Service develop and run an appointment process (in consultation with PAG and its appointed Councillors) to seek membership for the vacant Samoan, Tuvaluan and Micronesian positions.
4. Agree that this is a 'one-off-arrangement', with the condition that it will not set a future precedent.
5. Note that a review of the Terms of Reference for all Advisory Groups is scheduled for this triennium and will provide the opportunity to improve consistency and optimum results in relation to election and appointment processes for advisory groups.

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Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 15:0

Carried

3. Committee Reports

Nil

4. Public Excluded

Nil

The meeting concluded at 9:55am.

Confirmed: _____
Chair