

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Economic Development Committee Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 16 June 2021, commencing at 9.00am.

Members Present: Leonie Hapeta (in the Chair), and Councillors Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Orphée Mickalad, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

Non Members: Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan and Karen Naylor.

Apologies: The Mayor (Grant Smith) (council business).

12-21 Apologies

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Vaughan Dennison.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

1. To receive the apologies.

Clause 12-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

13-21 Public Comments

Ms Amanda Lindsay, Chief Executive and Mr Rob Campbell, Chair of the Chamber of Commerce addressed the meeting concerning the new parking proposal for the CBD.

Mr Campbell and Ms Lindsay spoke on the proposal to extend the paid parking hours contained in the 10 year plan (LTP) and the effect this would have on businesses, staff and shoppers in the city centre. A significant amount of feedback has been received outlining people's concerns including; the impact on customers, safety and security of staff, church goers and disabled people.

Business owners were particularly upset that no consultation had been undertaken by Council with them to discuss Sunday parking charges. The Manawatū Chamber of Commerce had spoken extensively with businesses in the city centre and none of them had been approached for comment. Those spoken to did not object to the parking rate increase only the extension of paid hours.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Vaughan Dennison.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

That the public comment from Ms Amanda Lindsay, Chief Executive and Mr Rob Campbell, Chair of the Manawatū Chamber of Commerce be received for information.

Clause 13-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

14-21

Presentation - The Factory

Presentation, by Mr Dave Craig (The Factory), Mr Stephen Bentley (Roller Blaster) and Mr Mike Creed (Morrison Creed Advisory).

Further information (Powerpoint presentation) was tabled at the meeting for circulation to Elected Members.

Mr Dave Craig (The Factory) provided an overview of The Factory and an update of what had taken place since their last presentation in December 2020.

Mr Stephen Bentley (Roller Blaster) was one of the Factory's success stories. He outlined how he heard about the Innovate programme on the radio and entered the initiative. Since then he has developed his commercial paint roller cleaning machine and is about to start discussions with distributors.

Mr Mike Creed (Morrison Creed Advisory) outlined to the Committee his role as a mentor in the programme. This was a way he could give back to the business community and promote Palmerston North as a successful place for people to live and work.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Vaughan Dennison.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

That the Economic Development Committee receive the presentation from Mr Dave Craig (The Factory), Mr Stephen Baty (Roller Blaster) and Mr Mike Creek (Morrison Creed Advisory) for information.

Clause 14-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

15-21 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Vaughan Dennison, seconded Billy Meehan.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

That the minutes of the Economic Development Committee meeting of 17 March 2021 Part I Public be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Clause 15-21 above was carried 15 votes to 0, with 1 abstention, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

Abstained:

Councillor Brent Barrett.

16-21 Manufacturing Sector Profile - April 2021

Memorandum, presented by Peter Crawford, Economic Policy Advisor.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

That the memorandum titled 'Manufacturing Sector Profile – April 2021', presented to the Economic Development Committee on 16 June 2021, be received for information.

Clause 16-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

17-21 Summary report on the March 2021 Palmerston North Quarterly Economic Monitor, Palmerston North Commercial Property Market Survey and quarterly retail spending

Memorandum, presented by Peter Crawford, Economic Policy Advisor.

Moved Leonie Hapeta, seconded Patrick Handcock ONZM.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

That the memorandum titled 'Summary report on the March 2021 Palmerston North Quarterly Economic Monitor, Palmerston North Commercial Property Market Survey, and quarterly retail spending', presented to the Economic Development Committee on 16 June 2021, be received for information.

Clause 17-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

18-21 Inner City/CBD Portfolio Update (June 2021)

Memorandum, presented by Councillor Leonie Hapeta, Lead Portfolio Holder for Inner City/CBD.

Moved Vaughan Dennison, seconded Rachel Bowen.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

That the Inner City/CBD Portfolio update report for June 2021, presented to the Economic Development Committee on 16 June 2021, be received for information.

Clause 18-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

19-21 Committee Work Schedule

Moved Brent Barrett, seconded Rachel Bowen.

The **COMMITTEE RESOLVED**

That the Economic Development Committee receive its Work Schedule dated 16 June 2021.

Clause 19-21 above was carried 16 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

Councillors Leonie Hapeta, Brent Barrett, Susan Baty, Rachel Bowen, Zulfiqar Butt, Vaughan Dennison, Renee Dingwall, Lew Findlay QSM, Patrick Handcock ONZM, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, Bruno Petrenas, Aleisha Rutherford and Ruma Karaitiana.

The public part of the meeting finished at 10.01am.

Confirmed 15 September 2021

Chairperson