

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting Part I Public, held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North on 03 May 2023, commencing at 9.02am

Members Present: Grant Smith (The Mayor) (in the Chair) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Apologies: Councillor Debi Marshall-Lobb (lateness on Council Business) and Councillors William Wood and Roly Fitzgerald for early departure.

Councillor William Wood left the meeting at 9.52am during consideration of clauses 59 and 60. He entered the meeting again at 9.56am after the consideration of clauses 59 and 60. He was not present for clauses 59 and 60.

Karakia Timatanga

Councillor Roly Fitzgerald opened the meeting with karakia.

55-23 Apologies

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Patrick Handcock.

RESOLVED

1. That Council receive the apologies.

Clause 55-23 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

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56-23 Public Comment

Margaret Kouvelis, Chairperson of NZ Rural Games Trust, made public comment in relation to Item 7 'Funding request from NZ Rural Games Trust' (clause 58).

Margaret Kouvelis thanked Elected Members and officers for Council's support and highlighted that:

- there had been very good coverage of the event from television New Zealand, which was beneficial for the city;
- the Rural Games' dinner was unique and encouraging, hosting people from all across the country in Palmerston North.

The Trust requested additional funding of \$15,000 per year for five years to build certainty.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Patrick Handcock.

RESOLVED

1. That the public comment be received for information.

Clause 56-23 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

57-23 Confirmation of Minutes

It was agreed that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of 5 April 2023 be amended to rectify clause 52-23 'Freedom Drive Road Reserve' by noting the correct Lot number which was 400 (as referred to in the body of the officer's report). Explicit reference to section 111 of the Reserves Act 1977 was also added as part of the correction.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Rachel Bowen.

RESOLVED

1. That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of 5 April 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record, as amended.

Clause 57-23 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock,

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Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

REPORTS

58-23 **Funding request from NZ Rural Games Trust**

Memorandum, presented by Luke McIndoe, Head of Events.

In putting the recommendation below to refer the additional funding request to the Annual Budget deliberations, the mover stated that Rural Games fitted with the city's agri-business strategy and was an event supported by many other external funders and the community.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Patrick Handcock.

RESOLVED

1. That Council confirm:

OPTION TWO

Refer a new programme of up to \$100k (\$75K cash and \$25K in-kind) per year for five years to support the NZ Rural Games to the Annual Budget 2023/24 deliberations in May/June.

Clause 58-23 above was carried 13 votes to 2, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Against:

Councillors Lorna Johnson and Karen Naylor.

59-23 **Elected Members' Meeting Attendance Statistics - 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022**

Memorandum, presented by Hannah White - Democracy & Governance Manager.

Councillor William Wood left the meeting at 9.52am.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Patrick Handcock.

RESOLVED

1. That the Council receive the memorandum titled 'Elected Members' Meeting Attendance Statistics - 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022' presented to Council on 3 May 2023 for information.

Clause 59-23 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

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For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

60-23

Council Submission on the Severe Weather Emergency Recovery Legislation Bill

Memorandum, presented by Jason McDowell, Head of Risk and Resilience.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Patrick Handcock.

RESOLVED

1. That Council note the submission to the Governance and Administration Committee on the Severe Weather Emergency Recovery Legislation Bill (Attachment 1) and the response from the Minister for Emergency Management (Attachment 2).

Clause 60-23 above was carried 14 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor and Kaydee Zabelin.

Councillor William Wood entered the meeting again at 9.56am.

61-23

Work Schedule May 2023

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Rachel Bowen.

RESOLVED

1. That the Council receive its Work Schedule dated 3 May 2023.

Clause 61-23 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

62-23 Culture & Sport Committee Part I Public - 19 April 2023

Consideration was given to the Culture & Sport Committee recommendation stated below.

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Billy Meehan.

Note:

On a motion that: 'That Council commit to funding \$300K towards a covered bowling green in year one of the LTP, with the location between Takaro, Palmerston North, and North End to be decided by a Bowls Manawatu panel, noting that this will be re-debated at the time the budget is being deliberated', the motion was lost 7 votes to 8, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Lew Findlay, Leonie Hapeta, Billy Meehan, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

Against:

Councillors Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Lorna Johnson, Orphée Mickalad and Karen Naylor.

EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

63-23 Exclusion of Public

Moved Grant Smith, seconded Patrick Handcock.

RESOLVED

1. That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting listed in the table below.

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
13.	Palmerston North Waters Infrastructure - Funding and Finance Options	Third Party Commercial	s7(2)(b)(ii)
14.	Assurance Report - City Transport Review	Commercial Activities and Negotiations	s7(2)(h) and s7(2)(i)
15.	Purchase of 19	Third Party	s7(2)(b)(ii)

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	Summerhays Street	Commercial	
16.	Rating Valuation Services - Awarding contract	Prejudice the supply of similiar information and Negotiations	s7(2)(c)(i) and s7(2)(i)
17.	Appointment of Directors to Central Economic Development Agency	Privacy	s7(2)(a)
18.	Reappointment of Trustees on Council Controlled Organisations	Privacy	s7(2)(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 as stated in the above table.

2. That Sharon O'Toole and Andrew Howie from TBIG be permitted to join the meeting for Item 14 to speak to their report and answer questions.

Clause 63-23 above was carried 15 votes to 0, the voting being as follows:

For:

The Mayor (Grant Smith) and Councillors Mark Arnott, Brent Barrett, Rachel Bowen, Vaughan Dennison, Lew Findlay, Roly Fitzgerald, Patrick Handcock, Leonie Hapeta, Lorna Johnson, Billy Meehan, Orphée Mickalad, Karen Naylor, William Wood and Kaydee Zabelin.

The public part of the meeting finished at 10.22am

Confirmed 16 May 2023

Mayor