

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

File Reference: ECM 8300219
Meeting Date: Wednesday 17 June 2020 at 1pm
Venue: Civic Centre, Liardet Street, New Plymouth.
Members Present: Mayor Neil Holdom, Councillors Tony Bedford, Sam Bennett, Gordon Brown, David Bublitz, Anneka Carlson, Murray Chong, Amanda Clinton-Gohdes, Richard Handley, Stacey Hitchcock, Richard Jordan, Dinnie Moeahu and Marie Pearce

Non Members Present

Kaitake Community Board Chairperson Doug Hislop

Staff in Attendance:

Liam Hodgetts, Julie Straka, David Langford, Cheryl McGrath, Greg Stephens, Richard Gater, Charles Woollin, Alison Trustrum-Rainey, Paul Lamb, Shaun McDougall, Teresa Turner, Kelvin Wright, Callum Williamson, Joy Buckingham, Shawn Scott, Mitchell Dyer and Jacqueline Baker

Apologies

Council Resolution

Cr Handley

Mayor Holdom

That the apologies for absence for Crs Harry Duynhoven and Colin Johnston be received.

Carried.

Finalisation and Adoption of the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan

ECM8281795

The matter for consideration by the Council is the adoption of various initiatives that form key parts of the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan following community engagement.

Council Resolution

Mayor Holdom)

Cr Bennett)

That having considered all matters raised in the report and the feedback provided by the community, the Council:

- a) Notes that on 5 May 2020 the Council agreed to the proposed Annual Plan 2020/21 and also adopted a range of initiatives to form the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan following the Covid-19 pandemic and resulting economic downturn, with some initiatives adopted for community engagement

Carried

Council Resolution

Mayor Holdom)

Cr Bennett)

That having considered all matters raised in the report and the feedback provided by the community, the Council:

- b) Adopts the following initiatives in the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan funded from the Covid-19 and Economic Development Reserve and borrowings (as appropriate):

- 1) Business fee reductions (as outlined in appendix 4) from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021, consisting of
 - i) Building consent fee reductions
 - ii) Resource consent fee reductions
 - iii) Environmental health and hospitality fee reductions
 - iv) Temporary use licence fee reductions
 - v) Development contribution payment deferment
- 2) Additional community funding for 2020/21 of \$453,000 for extending expiring strategic partnership contracts and a further \$300,000 community funding round
- 3) The Ngā Whare Ora Taiao o Ngāmotu Scheme effective 1 July 2020, including:
 - i) adopting the *Ngā Whare Ora Taiao o Ngāmotu Scheme Policy* attached as appendix 2
 - ii) approval of establishing a Sustainable Homes Design Advisory Service within Council
- 4) The *Procurement Recovery Plan (Covid-19)* attached as appendix 3, effective immediately
- 5) The Earthquake Prone Buildings and Main Streets Package, effective 1 July 2020

An amendment was moved at the Council meeting

Cr Bublitz)

Cr Chong)

That the following clause be added:

- 6) *One-hour free parking Monday-Saturday in all metered parking areas from 1 July 2020 to 30 September 2020.*

A division was called (ECM 8304179):

Those voting for the amendment were Councillors Bennett, Brown, Bublitz, Carlson, Chong, Hitchcock, Moeahu and His Worship the Mayor.

Those voting against the amendment were Councillors Bedford, Clinton-Gohdes, Handley, Jordan and Pearce.

The amendment was Carried

Council Resolution

Cr Hitchcock)

Cr Carlson)

That having considered all matters raised in the report and the feedback provided by the community, the Council:

- c) Delegate authority to the Community Funding Investment Committee to determine the additional community funding round (for the 2020/21 financial year) in line with the following parameters:
 - 1) Funding shall be prioritised for:
 - i) Essential services who have experienced an increase in demand for their service and/or an increase in costs during the Covid-19, especially those who look after the vulnerable in the community and services not provided by the Council
 - ii) Services that have lost funding partners due to Covid-19 thus meaning they may be unable to continue, and
 - iii) Services vital to recovery.
 - 2) The Community Funding Investment Committee may allocate funding to organisations who currently receive Annual Plan or Long Term Plan funding to apply for additional funding provided the service helps the district recover from Covid-19 and differs from the reason for the current financial commitment, despite this being inconsistent with the Community Funding Investment Policy.

Council Resolution

Mayor Holdom)

Cr Jordan)

That having considered all matters raised in the report and the feedback provided by the community, the Council:

- d) Notes that the other suggestions from the community will be considered as part of the LTP21-31 pre-engagement feedback, with particular focus on sustainable home initiatives suggestions

Council Resolution

Cr Hitchcock)

Cr Carlson)

That having considered all matters raised in the report and the feedback provided by the community, the Council:

- e) Notes that officers will provide updates on the uptake of the schemes through the quarterly performance reports

An amendment was moved at the Council meeting

Cr Carlson)

Cr Bennett)

That the following clause be added:

f) As a result of feedback received during the community engagement on the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan following the Covid-19 pandemic and resulting economic downturn, the Council:

i) revoke the 10 March 2020 decision relating to the "sale of dog from pound (includes cost of desexing dog)" (listed below from page 40 of the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2020/21);

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/2022
Sale of dog from pound (includes cost of desexing dog)	\$260	\$265	\$270

ii) include the following fees in the Regulatory Services (Enforcement) fees

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/2022
Sale of dog under 8 years old from pound (includes cost of desexing dog)	\$260	\$265	\$270
Sale of dog over 8 years old from pound (includes cost of desexing dog)	-	\$132.50	\$135.00

The amendment was Carried

The substantive motion was put and Carried

For completeness, the resolution related to the Finalisation and Adoption of the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan is restated in full below.

Finalisation and Adoption of the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan

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- a) Notes that on 5 May 2020 the Council agreed to the proposed Annual Plan 2020/21 and also adopted a range of initiatives to form the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan following the Covid-19 pandemic and resulting economic downturn, with some initiatives adopted for community engagement
- b) Adopts the following initiatives in the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan funded from the Covid-19 and Economic Development Reserve and borrowings (as appropriate):

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- 2) The Community Funding Investment Committee may allocate funding to organisations who currently receive Annual Plan or Long Term Plan funding to apply for additional funding provided the service helps the district recover from Covid-19 and differs from the reason for the current financial commitment, despite this being inconsistent with the Community Funding Investment Policy.
- d) Notes that the other suggestions from the community will be considered as part of the LTP21-31 pre-engagement feedback, with particular focus on sustainable home initiatives suggestions
- e) Notes that officers will provide updates on the uptake of the schemes through the quarterly performance reports
- f) As a result of feedback received during the community engagement on the Get Us Back On Our Feet Plan following the Covid-19 pandemic and resulting economic downturn, the Council:
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The Council meeting closed at 2.09pm.