

Please note that these minutes remain unconfirmed until the Wellington Regional Strategy meeting on 28 March 2017

**Report 16.534** 13/12/2016 File: CCAB-15-135

Public minutes of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber, Upper Hutt City Council, 838 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt, on Tuesday, 13 December 2016 at 1.03pm

#### Present

Councillor Blakeley Councillor Calvert Deputy Mayor Paul Eagle Mayor Guppy (until 2.20pm) Mayor Gurunathan Mayor Lester Councillor Marsh Mayor Patterson Mayor Tana (from 1.55pm) Mayor Wallace (until 1.45pm and from 2.00pm) (Greater Wellington Regional Council) (Wellington City Council) (Wellington City Council) (Upper Hutt City Council) (Kapiti Coast District Council) (Wellington City Council) (Wellington City Council) (Masterton District Council) (Porirua City Council) (Hutt City Council)

# **Public Business**

Francis Ryan, Manager, Democratic Services, took the Chair at the start of the meeting. He explained that he was required to act as Chairperson until the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee elected its Chairperson and Deputy.

### 1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

### 2 **Conflict of Interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

### **3 Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

## 4 Election of the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

**Report 16.482** 

File: CCAB-15-116

Moved

(Mayor Wallace/ Mayor Patterson)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Chooses voting system B (election by the greatest number of votes) for the election of the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

Francis Ryan called for nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

Mayor Lester was nominated by Mayor Guppy and seconded by Mayor Wallace. Mayor Guppy foreshadowed his nomination of Cr Blakeley as Deputy Chairperson.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Lester was declared the Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee. Mayor Lester assumed the Chair, thanked his fellow committee members for entrusting him with the role of Chair, and acknowledged Mayor Guppy's contribution and leadership as Chair in the last triennium.

The Chair invited nominations for the position of Deputy Chairperson.

Cr Blakeley was nominated by Mayor Guppy and seconded by Mayor Wallace.

There being no further nominations Cr Blakeley was declared the Deputy Chairperson of the Wellington Regional Strategy Committee.

#### 5 **Discussion of non-agenda item**

Following a request from Cr Blakeley the Chair advised that there would be a discussion on a potential refresh of the Wellington Regional Strategy following agenda item 7.

### 6 WREDA Annual Report 2015/16 and First Quarter Report 2016/17

Mayor Tana arrived at the meeting during the consideration of this item. Mayor Wallace was absent from 1.45pm to 2.00pm during this item.

Chris Whelan, Chief Executive, WREDA, and Peter Biggs, Chair, WREDA, spoke to the report.

Moved

**Report 16.524** 

(Mayor Lester/ Cr Blakeley)

File: CCAB-15-129

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

#### 7 Letter of Expectation – WREDA

Barry Turfrey, Forensic Accountant, WCC, and Nicola Shorten, Manager, Strategic and Corporate Planning, GWRC and spoke to the report.

#### **Report 16.521**

File: CCAB-15-126

Moved

(Mayor Lester/ Cr Eagle)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Approves the Letter of Expectation, subject to the insertion of a new paragraph "Undertake a review of Venues, specifically their relationship with the arts community, and access and costs for these groups to the venues."
- 4. Authorises the Chair of the Committee to approve and sign the Letter of Expectation on behalf of the Committee.

Moved as an amendment, being an addition to motion 3 (for inclusion in the Letter of (Cr Blakeley/ Mayor Wallace) *Expectation*)

Insert new paragraph. "Specific actions and measures that support business growth through science, technology and innovation including the growth of startup companies."

Amend paragraph 3, insert "(both qualitative and quantitative)" after the word targets.

Amend paragraph 8, insert "and the region" at the end of the paragraph.

The amendment was **CARRIED** and became part of the substantive motion.

Moved as an amendment, being a further addition to motion 3 (for inclusion in the *Letter of Expectation*) (Cr Marsh/ Cr Calvert)

Insert as new paragraphs: "Focus on delivering the benefits and efficiencies from WREDA being one organisation to free funding for direct investment in projects."

"Address skills shortages in the region through specific actions and measures to support skills and workforce development."

"Identify opportunities to grow the Iwi economy of the region."

"Note the importance of Health and Safety."

"Where possible consider the use of the councils' shared services programmes."

*"Leveraging off major events to tell the Wellington story overseas, for example WOW in Seattle."* 

The amendment was **CARRIED** and became part of the substantive motion.

The substantive motion was then put and was CARRIED.

### 8 Wellington Regional Strategy Office – First Quarter 2016/17 Update

Colin Drew, Project Leader, Wellington Regional Strategy Office, spoke to the report.

**Report 16.519** 

Moved

File: CCAB-15-124

(Mayor Lester/ Cr Blakeley)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

### 9 **Refresh of the Wellington Regional Strategy**

The Committee discussed a potential refresh of the Wellington Regional Strategy and agreed that this should be discussed at a workshop in early 2017.

10 **Exclusion of the public** 

Report 16.525File: CCAB-15-132Moved(Mayor Lester/ Cr Eagle)That the Committee:(Mayor Lester/ Cr Eagle)

*Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:* 

1. WREDA Board Reappointment

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons 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 (the Act) for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General	subject	of	Reason	for	passing	this	Ground under section
each ma considerea	_	be	resolution matter	in	relation to	each	48(1) for the passing of this resolution

1. **WREDA** The information contained in this *That the public conduct* Board *Reappointment* report relates to the proposed of the whole or the appointment of a director to relevant part of the WREDA. Release of this proceedings the of information would prejudice the meeting would be likely proposed appointee's privacy by result to in the disclosing the fact that they are disclosure of being considered as a Director of information for which WREDA. Greater Wellington has good reason for not been able to identify a public withholding would exist interest favouring disclosure of under section 7(2)(a) of this particular information in the Act (i.e to protect public proceedings of the meeting the privacy of natural that would override the privacy of persons). the individuals concerned.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) of the Act 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 are as specified above.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The public part of the meeting closed at 2.31pm.

Mayor Lester

(Chair)

Date: