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Report 01.496

10 July 2001

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**Record of the Meeting of the Special Policy and Finance Committee
held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146
Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 10 July 2001 at 10.25am**

**Matters for Council Decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.
*Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.***

Present

Councillors Macaskill (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, McQueen, Shaw, Shields, Thomas and Werry

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Bezett, Darroch, Forlong, Maguire, Schollum, Stone, and Wright and Dr Bradbury

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 379 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Chairperson/Cr Shaw)

That the apology from Councillor Turver be confirmed.

Matters for Consideration

P&F 380 **Proposal to Sell Land: Te Marua to Kaitoke – Transit New Zealand**

Resolved to Recommend	(Cr McQueen/Cr Long)
(1) That the report be received and the contents noted.	
(2) (a) That the Council land, as detailed in this report, and being contained in parts certificates of title 29/193, 20C/497, 20C/498, 20C/499 20C/1018 and 22D/381, extending to 7.7007 hectares, be conditionally taken by agreement by Transit New Zealand for the purpose of upgrade and realignment of State Highway 2 between Te Marua and Kaitoke;	
(b) That subject to recommendation (2)(a) being approved, the conditions to be imposed shall be:	
(i) consideration of \$96,431.00 exclusive of GST;	
(ii) that the Transit work to be undertaken in full compliance with the terms and conditions of the Notice of Requirement for a Designation and the terms of the Upper Hutt City Council arising from its special meeting held 3 November 1999, together with the terms agreed and contained in the Transit letter of response of 21 December 1999, and all other resource consent requirements;	
(iii) that Transit undertake and meet the full cost of survey, title and legal work, including the Council costs of legal and property consultancy;	
(iv) that Transit shall form an authorised crossing point off SH2 to enter the Plantation Forestry land near its eastern most frontage point. The location, design and conditions have been agreed.	
(c) That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed by an authorised signatory.	

P&F 381

State Highway 2 Underpass, Kaitoke

Report 01.474

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Resolved to Recommend	(Cr Werry/Cr Shields)
(1) That the report be received and the contents noted;	
That Council:	

- (2) agrees there are long-term recreational benefits by linking the Hutt River Trail/Kaitoke Regional Park with the Pakuratahi Forest;
- (3) agrees there are safety benefits from the State Highway 2 Kaitoke Summit underpass proposal;
- (4) notes the opportunity to provide the underpass during the highway upgrade work proposed to occur during 2002;
- (5) notes that links between the parks and forests are provided for in the Long-term Financial Strategy as issues for consideration beyond 2010;
- (6) approves the Council contributing a share towards construction of the underpass up to a total cost of \$80,000;
- (7) approves Council funding for the project from a combination of the sale of the land and withdrawal from the Regional Parks Land Purchase Reserve;
- (8) authorises the Divisional Manager, Landcare to approve a cost share agreement with Transit New Zealand for the project;
- (9) affixes the Common Seal to the documents outlining the agreement with Transit NZ to achieve the underpass.

Morning Tea: 11.00am

Resumption: 11.15am

P&F 382 **Financial Report for the Eleven Months ended 31 May 2001**

Report 01.456

File: G/4/1/5

Resolved to Recommend (Chairperson/Cr Allen)

That the report be received and the contents noted.

P&F 383 **Local Electoral Act 2001**

Report 01.486

File: E/1/1/24

The Local Electoral Act 2001 and the Local Electoral Regulations 2001 were tabled.

Councillor Allen left at 11.45am.

Resolved to Recommend (Chairperson/Cr McDavitt)

That Council:

- (1) receive the Report and note its contents.
- (2) resolve in terms of section 79 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 that voting documents may be processed during the voting period.

P&F 384

Exclusion of the Public**Report 01.494***Resolved**(Chairperson/Cr McQueen)*

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- (1) *Report of the public excluded part of the Utility Services Committee meeting held on 5 July 2001 – Future of Plantation Forestry*
- (2) *Tranz Metro Acquisition Process*

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 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i>	<i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
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| (1) <i>Future of Plantation Forestry</i> | <i>of Because of the need to carry on commercial negotiations</i> | <i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to carry on commercial negotiations.)</i> |
| (2) <i>Tranz Metro Acquisition Process</i> | <i>To enable negotiations by the public authority without prejudice or disadvantage.</i> | <i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to enable negotiations by the public authority without prejudice or disadvantage.)</i> |

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 of section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Wellington Regional Council (1) and (2)

The open part of the meeting closed at 11.50am.

Cr S A MACASKILL
Chairperson

Date: