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Report 01.95

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Record of the Special Meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 15 February 2001 at 9.40am

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, Turver and Werry

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Annakin, Benham, Brennand, Darroch, Maguire, Schollum, Stone and Wright, and Dr Bradbury

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 298 Apologies

There were no apologies.

Matters for Recommendation

Resolved to Recommend**(Chairperson/Cr Turver)**

- (1) That the report be received and the contents noted.**
- (2) That the Committee confirm the following additional operating expenditure items:**
 - (a) \$727,000 in the Transport budget to fund the Newlands/Churton Park Bus improvements.**
 - (b) \$74,000 in the Landcare budget to fund the Regional Parks flood damage.**
 - (c) \$52,000 in the Landcare budget to fund the Waikanae River gravel extraction resource consent process.**
 - (d) \$100,000 in the Landcare budget to fund the costs of preparing for the land swap with Hutt City Council.**
- (3) That the Committee approve the following additional operating expenditure items:**
 - (a) \$45,000 in the Wairarapa budget to fund aerial photography work across the Region.**
 - (b) \$15,000 in the Wairarapa budget to fund bush retirements.**
 - (c) \$15,000 in the Wairarapa budget to fund the Upper Ruamahanga Scheme Rating Review.**
 - (d) \$180,000 in the Finance and Administration budget to fund the upgrade cost of the Council's Financial Information System.**
- (4) That the Committee approve the following additional capital expenditure items:**
 - (a) \$115,000 in the Utility Services budget for motor protection (Waterloo).**
 - (b) \$30,000 in the Utility Services budget for noise vibration reduction (Waterloo).**
 - (c) \$150,000 in the Utility Services budget for forestry roading.**

P&F 300 **Long-Term Financial Strategy 2000-2010: 2001 Update (Incorporating Council's 2001/02 Annual Plan)**

(1) **Report 01.65**

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Resolved to Recommend

(Chairperson/Cr McQueen)

That the report be received and referred to Standing Committees for consideration with the 2001-2010 operating plans (which support the Long-Term Financial Strategy 2000-2010:2001 Update)

(2) **Report 01.66**

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Resolved to Recommend

(Chairperson/Cr Shaw)

That this report be received and referred to Standing Committees for consideration with the 2001-2010 Operating Plans (which support the Long-Term Financial Strategy 2000-2010:2001 Update).

P&F 301 **Tranz Metro Acquisition Process**

Report 01.84

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Moved

(Chairperson/Cr McDavitt)

That the Council:

- (1) *Receives the report.*
- (2) *Authorises officers to commence the selection process to establish the Council's future Joint Venture partner.*
- (3) *Notes that the selection process will include the need for the Council to approve the documents described in the report.*
- (4) *Notes that officers may need to seek further authorisations from Council as the process unfolds.*

Amendment

(Cr Laidlaw/Cr Gibson)

- (1) *add new (2)*

“Recognises that the joint venture option is the Council's preferred choice”

- (2) *Renumber (2) as (3)*

Add “possible” after word “Council’s”

(3) Renumber (3) as (4)

(4) Renumber (4) as (5)

Delete “may” and substitute “will”

CARRIED

Councillor Thomas dissented.

The motion as amended was then put and **CARRIED** ie

Resolved to Recommend

That the Council:

- (1) Receives the report.**
- (2) Recognises that the joint venture option is the Council’s preferred choice.**
- (3) Authorises officers to commence the selection process to establish the Council’s possible future Joint Venture partner.**
- (4) Notes that the selection process will include the need for the Council to approve the documents described in the report.**
- (5) Notes that officers will need to seek further authorisations from Council as the process unfolds.**

Councillor Thomas dissented.

The meeting closed at 12.15pm.

Cr S A MACASKILL
Chairperson

Date: