

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVE, KAIKOHE
ON THURSDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2024 AT 10:03AM**

PRESENT: Kōwhai-Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Cr Ann Court, Cr Felicity Foy, Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Cr Babe Kapa (online), Cr Penetaui Kleskovic, Cr Steve McNally, Cr Mate Radich (online), Cr Tāmami Rākena, Cr John Vujcich.

IN ATTENDANCE: Kawiti Waetford (Kaiwhakawhiti Reo – Language Interpreter), Andy Nock Chief Executive (Far North Holdings Limited), Community Board Chairs Adele Gardner, Belinda Ward, Chicky Rudkin (online).

STAFF PRESENT: Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer), Emma Healy (Chief of Staff), Kevin Johnson (General Manager – Delivery and Operations)(online), Tanya Proctor (Head of Infrastructure), Charlie Billington (Group Manager – Corporate Services), Cath Beaumont (Road Corridor Manager), Jonathan Slavich (Chief Financial Officer), Roger Ackers (Group Manager – Policy and Planning), Jacine Warmington (Group Manager – Strategic Relationships), Carla Ditchfield (Manager – Legal Services), Azman Reuben (Senior Strategic Planner), Ruben Garcia (Group Manager – Community and Engagement), Harley Alexander (Multimedia Strategy & Communications Advisor), Robin Rawson (Parks & Reserves Planner), Aisha Huriwai (Manager – Democracy Services), Marysa Maheno (Democracy Advisor), Nadine Hopkins (Executive Projects Advisor), Imrie Dunn (Democracy Advisor), Nicola Smith (Manager – Libraries & Customer Service).

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

At 10:03am Kōwhai-Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford commenced the meeting with a karakia.

2 NGĀ WHAKAPĀHA ME NGĀ PĀNGA MEMA / APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2024/135

Moved: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That the apology received for leave of absence from Kahika-Mayor Moko Tepania and the apology for lateness from Cr Penetaui Kleskovic.

CARRIED

3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION

- Josephine Tamehana Kemp Baker, Rosie Reihana representing Ngāti Kōpaki hapū and Pamela-Anne Ngohe-Simon and Te Rina Wihongi representing Moerewa Community they voiced the concerns of their hapū about the proposed Laundromat in Moerewa and the impact it will have on Te Taiao.
- Gerry Paul gave a verbal update on recent activity at the Turner Centre and proposed a partnership with Council.

- Jenny Howard spoke to a petition requesting road repairs along Waipapa Road. The petition was received by Kōwhai-Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford .

Attachments tabled at meeting

- 1 Tabled Petition for Waipapa Road - Document number A4947494 refers

At 10:31am Cr Penetaui Kleskovic arrived to the meeting.

- Dallas King (Ngāti Kaharau & Ngāti Hau Hapū Representative) also representing Te Mauri o Te Wai, spoke in support of public excluded agenda item 8.3 and spoke further on the history of Te Raupo.
- Te Pātukurea Hapū Rōpū (Jo Civil, Arnold Maunsell, Whati Rameka and Rio Greening) spoke in support of item 6.5 and also gave further history on Te Raupo relating to the previous hapū representative deputation, Dallas King.

4 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE KAHIKA / MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Advised that public excluded agenda item 8.2 has been pulled.

5 INTERIM CHAIRPERSON

5.1 INTERIM CHAIRPERSON

RESOLUTION 2024/136

Moved: Cr Penetaui Kleskovic

Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That Council appoint Cr Steve McNally as the interim Chairperson should Kōwhai-Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford need to step out of the room for this meeting.

CARRIED

6.0 TE WHAKAAETANGA O NGĀ MENETI O MUA / CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 5.1 document number A4909851, pages 6 - 24 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/137

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Cr Penetaui Kleskovic

That Council confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held 12 September 2024 and Extraordinary Council meetings held 6 September and 24 September 2024 as true and correct record.

CARRIED

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

7.1 COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 2024

Agenda item 7.3 document number A4911641, pages 448 - 469 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/138

Moved: Cr Felicity Foy

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council note the following Community Board minutes:

- 17 September 2024 Te Hiku Community Board;
- 19 September 2024 Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board; and
- 20 September 2024 Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned from 11:24am to 11:34am

Cr Felicity Foy left during the adjournment and returned at 11:35am

8 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

8.1 TE PĀTUKUREA KERIKERI WAIPAPA SPATIAL PLAN - PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT ON GROWTH SCENARIOS

Agenda item 6.5 document number A4884394, pages 68 - 338 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/139

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That Council approves public engagement to be carried out on the growth scenarios for Te Pātukurea Kerikeri Waipapa Spatial Plan in November 2024 as set out in this report.

CARRIED

8.2 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - INTERNATIONAL RALLY OF WHANGĀREI

Agenda item 6.1 document number A4841092, pages 25 - 39 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford
 Seconded: Cr Penetaui Kleskovic

That Council approve the proposed temporary road closure to accommodate the safe operations of the International Rally of Whangārei, subject to a hui with Akerama Marae to undertake meaningful engagement with Hapū representatives and confirm suitable arrangements are agreed.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Felicity Foy
 Seconded: Cr Penetaui Kleskovic

And that the Chief Executive confirm any additional costs to Council or reimbursements for future events.

In Favour: Crs Kelly Stratford, Ann Court, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Babe Kapa, Penetaui Kleskovic, Steve McNally, Tāmati Rākena and John Vujcich

Against: Nil

Abstained: Cr Mate Radich

CARRIED

The amendment became the Substantive Motion.

RESOLUTION 2024/140

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira
 Seconded: Cr Penetaui Kleskovic

That Council approve the proposed temporary road closure to accommodate the safe operations of the International Rally of Whangārei, subject to a hui with Akerama Marae to undertake meaningful engagement with Hapū representatives and confirm suitable arrangements are agreed, And that the Chief Executive confirm any additional costs to Council or reimbursements for future events.

CARRIED**8.3 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - KERIKERI HALF MARATHON 2024 AND KERIKERI STREET PARTY 2024**

Agenda item 6.2 and 6.3 document number A4841616 and A4850625, pages 40 - 53 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/141

Moved: Cr John Vujcich
 Seconded: Cr Ann Court

That Council approve the proposed temporary road closure to accommodate the safe operations of the below:

- a) Kerikeri Half Marathon 2024.
- b) Kerikeri Street Party 2024.

CARRIED

8.4 CLASSIFICATION AND REVOCATION OF A KERIKERI RESERVE (LOT 10 DP 62588)

Agenda item 6.4 document number A4871002, pages 54 - 67 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Ann Court

Seconded: Cr Steve McNally

That Council:

- a) approve the initiation of a public consultation process under Section 16 of the Reserves Act 1977 to classify Lot 10 DP 62588 as a Local Purpose (drainage and access) reserve;
- b) approve the initiation of a public consultation process under Section 24 of the Reserves Act 1977 to revoke areas of reserve underlying an existing retaining wall owned by Woolworths Ltd;
- c) appoint Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board to hear any submissions received in response to the consultation processes and to make recommendations to the Council in respect of the reserve classification and revocation; and
- d) that BECA be consulted and provide a report on any implications with the current designation process for the Kerikeri CBD Ring Road.

RESOLUTION 2024/142

Moved: Cr Penetaui Kleskovic

Seconded: Cr Ann Court

That Council leave to lie the options below:

- a) approve the initiation of a public consultation process under Section 16 of the Reserves Act 1977 to classify Lot 10 DP 62588 as a Local Purpose (drainage and access) reserve;
- b) approve the initiation of a public consultation process under Section 24 of the Reserves Act 1977 to revoke areas of reserve underlying an existing retaining wall owned by Woolworths Ltd;
- c) appoint Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board to hear any submissions received in response to the consultation processes and to make recommendations to the Council in respect of the reserve classification and revocation; and
- d) that BECA be consulted and provide a report on any implications with the current designation process for the Kerikeri CBD Ring Road.

In Favour: Crs Ann Court, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Penetaui Kleskovic and John Vujcich

Against: Crs Kelly Stratford, Steve McNally and Mate Radich

Abstained: Cr Tāmati Rākena

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned from 12:45pm to 1:31pm.

Cr Penetaui Kleskovic left the meeting during adjournment and joined online.

Cr Tāmati Rākena left at 1:31pm and returned at 1:33pm.

6 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS CONTINUED

7.2 KAIKOHE LIBRARY AND CIVIC HUB PROJECT UPDATE

Agenda item 7.1 document number A4899504, pages 345 – 410 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/143

Moved: Kōwhai – Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That the Council receive the report Kaikohe Library and Civic Hub Project Update.

CARRIED

8 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS CONTINUED

8.5 PROPOSAL FEE INCREASE FOR PROPERTY FILES AND LIM REPORTS

Agenda item 6.6 document number A4908358, pages 339 - 344 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/144

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Cr Steve McNally

That Council:

- a) **Approve amendments to the Fees and Charges Schedule 2024/25 to increase fees for Property Files from \$26.00 to \$33.50 and for Land Information Memorandum Reports from \$319.00 to \$395.00.**
- b) **Approve the fee increases for Property Files and Land Information Memorandum Reports to take effect from 11 November 2024, for the remainder of the 2024/25 rating year.**
- c) **Approve a news story being published on the Council website, clearly outlining the fee adjustments and the date that they will take effect, and**
- d) **Instruct the Chief Executive to commence a structured, evidence-based review of fees and charges for Property File and LIM Report services with a view to reporting to Council on any further changes required to cover 100% of costs of providing services for simple and complex/commercial Property File and LIM Report services in preparing the 2025/26 Annual Plan.**

CARRIED

Cr Mate Raddich left the meeting at 2:12pm

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS CONTINUED

7.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT - PERIOD JULY - SEPTEMBER 2024

Agenda item 7.2 document number A4912454, pages 411 - 447 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/145

Moved: Cr Tāmami Rākena

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That the Council receive the report Chief Executive Report - Period July - September 2024.

CARRIED

7.4 MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Agenda item 7.4 document number A4909855, pages 470 - 536 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/146

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

That Council note the reports submitted by Kahika-Mayor Moko Tepania, Kōwhai-Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Councillors Ann Court, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Babe Kapa, Steve McNally, Tāmati Rākena and John Vujcich be received.

CARRIED

7.5 COUNCIL OPEN RESOLUTIONS UPDATE OCTOBER 2024

Agenda item 7.5 document number A4909874, pages 537 - 567 refers.

RESOLUTION 2024/147

Moved: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council receive the report Council Open Resolution Update October 2024.

CARRIED

7 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATAITI / PUBLIC EXCLUDED

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

RESOLUTION 2024/148

Moved: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr Felicity Foy

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter 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 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 for the passing of this resolution
8.1 - Confirmation of Previous Minutes - Public Excluded	s7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of 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 under section 6 or section 7

	enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	
8.3 - Purchase of Land - 300 Rāwene Road, Rāwene	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of 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 under section 6 or section 7
8.4 - Coopers Beach Youth Camp - Remission Request	s7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of 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 under section 6 or section 7
8.5 - Council Public Excluded Open Resolutions Update October 2024	s7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of 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 under section 6 or section 7

And that the following are permitted to remain in the Public Excluded part of the meeting:

- **Community Board Chairs Adele Gardner, Belinda Ward, and Chicky Rudkin**
- **Kawiti Waetford Kaiwhakawhiti Reo – Language Interpreter**

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF INFORMATION AND DECISIONS TO BE RELEASED IN PUBLIC

At the conclusion of the public excluded portion of the meeting Council confirmed all decisions contained in the part of the meeting held in public excluded remain in public excluded.

8 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

At 3:13pm Cr Tāmati Rākena closed the meeting with a karakia.

11 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 3:13pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 14 November 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON