

**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE TE AHU, CNR STATE HIGHWAY 1 AND MATHEWS AVENUE, KAITAIA
ON THURSDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2024 AT 10:02AM**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Adele Gardner (Te Hiku Community Board Chairperson), Belinda Ward (Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Chairperson), Chicky Rudkin (Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Chairperson)(online), Kawiti Waetford (Kaiwhakawhiti Reo - Language Interpreter).

STAFF PRESENT: Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer), Carla Ditchfield (Manager – Legal Services), Trent Blakeman (Group Manager – Delivery and Operations), Jacine Warmington (Group Manager – Strategic Relationships), Mary Moore (Manager – Infrastructure Services), Emma Healy (Chief of Staff), Charlie Billington (Group Manager – Corporate Services), Elizabeth Stacey (Senior Road Safety and Traffic Engineer), Aisha Huriwai (Manager – Democracy Services), Maria Bullen (Democracy Advisor), Tanya Proctor (Head of Infrastructure)(online), Ruben Garcia (Group Manager – Community and Engagement)(online), Shayne Storey (Team Leader – Policy and Bylaws), Esther Powell (Manager – Climate Action and Resilience), Roger Ackers (Group Manager – Planning and Policy).

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

At 10:02am, Kahika/Mayor Moko Tepania commenced the meeting with a karakia.

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

- There were no apologies.

At 10:05am, Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira arrived to the meeting.

3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION

- There were no deputations.

4 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE KAHIKA / MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today in the Maramataka is Hotu, which is a high energy phase.
- Acknowledged Cr Foy for bringing in crates of produce for Councillors and staff.
- Acknowledged that this is the last Council Meeting for 2024 and thanked the Elected Members for their mahi.
- Acknowledged the community Christmas events happening all around the Far North.
- Acknowledged the upcoming events including the Kaitāia Airport signing and the opening of Mangamuka Gorge.

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

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 6.1 document number A5002689, pages 12 - 21 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/163

Moved: Cr Steve McNally
Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

That Council confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held 14 November 2024 are a true and correct record.

CARRIED

8.2 COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES - NOVEMBER 2024

Agenda item 8.2 document number A5002685, pages 437 - 457 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/164

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
Seconded: Cr Tāmāti Rākena

That Council note the following Community Board minutes:

- 19 November 2024 Te Hiku Community Board;
- 21 November 2024 Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board; and
- 22 November 2024 Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board

CARRIED

6 HE PĀNUI WHAKAMŌTINI / NOTICE OF MOTION

5.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CANCEL FLUORIDE TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH

Agenda item 5.1 document number A5003619, pages 6 - 8 refers

MOTION

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira
Seconded: Cr Babe Kapa

That the Far North District Council cancel the fluoridation of Far North waters until local residents on town water supply agree to do so.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
Seconded: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

That council defers this decision to ensure that appropriate financial and legal advice can be provided and discussed in a workshop in the new year.

In Favour: Crs Moko Tepania, Kelly Stratford, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Babe Kapa, Steve McNally, Tāmāti Rākena and John Vujcich

Against: Crs Ann Court, Penetaui Kleskovic and Mate Radich

The amendment became the substantive motion.

RESOLUTION 2024/165

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
Seconded: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

That council defers this decision to ensure that appropriate financial and legal advice can be provided and discussed in a workshop in the new year.

Against: Cr Ann Court
Abstained: Cr Mate Radich

CARRIED**5.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - PROMOTION & PROTECTION OF HE WAKAPUTANGA O TE RANGATIRATANGA O NŪ TIRENI & TE TIRITI O WAITANGI WITHIN THE AREAS OF THE FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Agenda item 5.2 document number A5008664, pages 9 - 11 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/166

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira
Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That Council:

- 1. future proof Tiriti gains made over the last 184 years, and in years to come, so that incoming governments cannot undermine local progress and cause unnecessary anxiety amongst 53% of its population;**
- 2. adopt and embrace mutual and beneficial partnerships with Māori that uplift community wellbeing i.e. housing, incentives for health, education and sustainability industries within the area;**
- 3. proactively heed the recommendations of the Waitangi Tribunal findings regarding matters that impact on the territories within Tai Tokerau i.e. Te Paparahi o Te Raki Stage 1 & 2 Reports;**

Against: Crs Ann Court, Steve McNally and Mate Radich

CARRIED**5.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - PROMOTION & PROTECTION OF HE WAKAPUTANGA O TE RANGATIRATANGA O NŪ TIRENI & TE TIRITI O WAITANGI WITHIN THE AREAS OF THE FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Agenda item 5.2 document number A5008664, pages 9 - 11 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/167

Moved: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira
Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That Council:

- 4. return all unused Council reserves to mana whenua expeditiously;**

5. uphold and maintain former and yet to come Iwi settlements, reparations agreements/ redress options and their evolving conditions;
6. never approve resource consents or walking routes on wāhi tapu;
7. by June 2025, commit formally in the Long-Term Plan to the restoration of moana, rivers and streams and adopt the wholesale ban on all sewage and hazardous waste dumping to the harbours, rivers and streams in Tai Tokerau;
8. ensure 80% local procurement in all contracts to sustain Tai Tokerau businesses.

In Favour: Crs Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Babe Kapa, Penetaui Kleskovic and Tāmati Rākena

Against: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Crs Ann Court, Felicity Foy, Steve McNally, Mate Radich and John Vujcich

LOST

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

7.1 SETTING OF 2025 MEETING SCHEDULE

Agenda item 7.1 document number A4993990, pages 22 - 28 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/168

Moved: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

That Council:

- a) adopt the proposed 2025 calendar;
- b) note the 2025 reserve dates:
 - January 28
 - February 26
 - March 5, 11, 25, 27
 - April 1, 2, 4, 30
 - May 1, 2, 22, 27, 28
 - June 11, 18, 25
 - July 9, 23, 24
 - August 13, 19, 20, 26
 - September 3, 10, 11, 17, 23

CARRIED

7.2 WAITANGI 2025 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

Agenda item 7.2 document number A4982563, pages 29 - 42 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/169

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Steve McNally

That Council approve the proposed temporary road closures to accommodate the safe operation of the Waitangi Day commemoration week event.

CARRIED

7.3 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - KERIKERI CRUZ'N THE BAYZ

Agenda item 7.3 document number A4851211, pages 43 - 46 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/170

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Steve McNally

That Council approve the proposed temporary road closure to accommodate the safe operations of the Kerikeri Cruz'n the Bayz event.

CARRIED

7.4 CONTROL OF EARTHWORKS BYLAW CONSULTATION

Agenda item 7.4 document number A4897747, pages 47 - 62 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/171

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council:

- a) **approves, under section 160(3)(b)(ii) of the Local Government Act 2002, to consult on continuing the Control of Earthworks Bylaw without amendment in a manner that gives effect to the requirements of section 82 of the local government act 2002.**
- b) **approves, the Proposal for Consultation on the Control of Earthworks Bylaw, in attachment one, to be made publicly available for the purpose of the consultation.**
- c) **approves, the period for making written submissions on the proposal will be a minimum of 4 weeks.**
- d) **delegates authority to the Mayor to decide on the date of oral presentation/s of submissions.**
- e) **directs council staff to make all necessary logistical arrangements for people's verbal submissions to be heard in person in the council chambers or online via Microsoft Teams on the date decided by the mayor.**
- f) **authorises the Chief Executive to make minor changes to the Proposal for Consultation on the Control of Earthworks Bylaw to correct grammatical or spelling errors, or formatting.**

CARRIED

7.5 2024-27 NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PLAN (NLTP) OUTCOMES

Agenda item 7.5 document number A4952885, pages 63 - 83 refers

MOTION

Moved: Cr Ann Court
Seconded: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

That Council:

- a) Receives the report dated 30th October – 2024-27 National Land Transport Plan outcomes
- b) Approves Option 1 for all recommended allocations of unsubsidised funding for:
 - i) Continuous Programmes Funding; and
 - ii) Low-Cost Low Risk Investment Funding

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Felicity Foy
Seconded: Cr Steve McNally

That Council approve works for unsubsidised funding for the following:

- 1 - tree trimming
- 3 - REAP road safety
- 4 - pothole prevention
- 5 - road rehabilitation
- 6 - school zones

and that more information be provided to a Te Koukou Committee workshop, for items 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

In Favour: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Crs Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Babe Kapa, Penetaui Kleskovic, Steve McNally, Tāmami Rākena and John Vujcich

Against: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania and Cr Ann Court

Abstained: Cr Mate Radich

The amendment became the substantive motion.

RESOLUTION 2024/172

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
Seconded: Cr Felicity Foy

That Council approve works for unsubsidised funding for the following:

- 1 - tree trimming**
- 3 - REAP road safety**
- 4 - pothole prevention**
- 5 - road rehabilitation**
- 6 - school zones**

and that more information be provided to a Te Koukou Committee workshop, for items 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Against: Cr Ann Court

CARRIED

At 11:53am, the meeting adjourned and resumed at 11:58am.

7.6 TRANSFER OF INDEPENDENTLY QUALIFIED PERSON'S (IQP'S)

Agenda item 7.6 document number A4934061, pages 84 - 103 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/173

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

That Council approve the transfer of powers from the Far North District Council to Auckland Council to administer the Independently Qualified Person's register for Independently Qualified Person's working in our district.

CARRIED

7.7 DEVELOPMENT OF A LOCAL ALCOHOL POLICY

Agenda item 7.7 document number A4950769, pages 104 - 274 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/174

Moved: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council approves the development of a Local Alcohol Policy (LAP) for the district.

CARRIED

7.8 FUTURE OF SEVERELY AFFECTED LOCATIONS (FOSAL) PROPOSED BUYOUT & RELOCATION POLICY

Agenda item 7.8 document number A4975532, pages 275 - 285 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/175

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Ann Court

That Council:

- a) acknowledge that that there are no residential properties in the Far North District that meet the FOSAL criteria; and**
- b) does not adopt the Proposed FOSAL Buyout and Relocation Policy as there are no properties that meet the FOSAL criteria in the Far North.**

In Favour: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Crs Ann Court, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Penetaui Kleskovic, Mate Radich and John Vujcich

Against: Crs Kelly Stratford, Babe Kapa and Steve McNally

Abstained: Cr Tāmati Rākena

CARRIED

7.9 APPOINTMENT TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

Agenda item 7.9 document number A4988098, pages 286 - 289 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/176

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
 Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council appoint:

- a) **Councillor Rākena to Kaikohe Sportsville**
- b) **Councillors Kapa and Rākena as liaisons for Lake Ōmāpere Trust**
- c) **Kahika Moko Tepania as the alternate to Councillors Vujcich and Kleskovic to Joint Regional Economic Development Group**
- d) **Councillor Rākena to replace Councillor Foy as lead for Creative Communities.**
- e) **Councillor Foy to be added as an alternate to the Awanui River Working Group.**

Note: Cr Rākena has requested the FNDC website be updated to include a full list of Councillors portfolios, committees, community boards, under their profiles, alongside member reports. Kahika Moko Tepania to follow up at the February 2025 Council meeting.

CARRIED

7.10 PROGRESSING THE MULTI-AGENCY JOINT EMERGENCY COORDINATION CENTRE

Agenda item 7.10 document number A4997686, pages 290 - 384 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/177

Moved: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford
 Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

That:

- a) **the report ‘Progressing the Multi-Agency Joint Emergency Coordination Centre’ by Ruben Garcia, Group Manager – Community & Engagement and dated 12 December 2024, be received.**
- b) **Council approve the Chief Executive entering into a Heads of Agreement with Northland Councils for a Multi-Agency Joint Emergency Coordination Centre (the Agreement), subject to him being satisfied that:**
 - i) **Council has complied with all statutory, regulatory (and policy) obligations that relate to the Agreement; and**
 - ii) **The Agreement includes any conditions deemed to be reasonable and appropriate in his view having taken legal or other professional advice, if required.**

CARRIED

7.11 REGIONAL DEAL TE TAI TOKERAU NORTHLAND

Agenda item 7.11 document number A5001582, pages 385 - 408 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/178

Moved: Cr Ann Court
 Seconded: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

That Council:

- a) **endorse the preparation of a Regional Deal proposal for submission to central**

government.

- b) agrees to collaborate with the other three local authorities, Kaipara District Council (KDC), Whangārei District Council (WDC), and Northland Regional Council (NRC) as a single “region” for the purpose of the Regional Deal.
- c) approves Northland Inc as the lead organisation responsible for coordinating the development of the Regional Deal proposal, with support from all four councils.
- d) approves the Joint Regional Economic Development Committee as the governance entity overseeing the development of the proposal.
- e) approves the amendment to the Joint Regional Economic Development Committee Terms of Reference as provided in Attachment 4 of this agenda item.
- f) agrees that the Chair of the Joint Regional Economic Development Committee be the spokesperson of the Regional Deal programme on behalf of the region.
- g) approves the registration form being submitted by Northland Inc. on behalf of Northland Local Authorities (by 18 December 2024), following review by the Chief Executive.
- h) notes that the Joint Regional Economic Development Committee may be required to meet outside of the normal council meeting cycle during the traditional Christmas recess period.
- i) notes that similar recommendations are being presented to KDC, WDC, and NRC at their December 2024 meetings to ensure regional alignment and collaboration.

Against: Cr Tāmami Rākena and Cr Mate Radich

CARRIED

At 12:57pm, the meeting adjourned and resumed at 1:56pm.

7.12 SUBMISSION ON THE TREATY PRINCIPLES BILL

Agenda item 7.12 document number A5008393, pages 409 - 417 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/179

Moved: Cr Tāmami Rākena

Seconded: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

That the Far North District Council:

- a) strongly opposes the Treaty Principles Bill
- b) makes a submission to the Justice Select Committee outlining the Far North District Council's strong opposition to the Bill
- c) delegate the Mayor and the Deputy Chair of the Te Kuaka Committee to give a verbal submission to the Justice Select Committee to support Council's written submission

In Favour: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford, Crs Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Babe Kapa, Steve McNally, Mate Radich, Tāmami Rākena and John Vujcich

Against: Cr Ann Court

CARRIED

7.13 ADOPTION OF FAR NORTH HOLDINGS STATEMENT OF INTENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

Agenda item 7.13 document number A5013083, pages 418 - 433 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/180

Moved: Cr John Vujcich
Seconded: Cr Steve McNally

That Council:

- a) adopts the Far North Holdings Limited Statement of Intent for the year ended 30 June 2025
- b) publishes the Far North Holdings Limited Statement of Intent for the year ended 30 June 2025 on its website within 1 month of adoption

CARRIED

8 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

8.1 REPORT ON THE INAUGURAL STATE OF THE FAR NORTH ADDRESS: OUTCOMES, INSIGHTS, AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Agenda item 8.1 document number A4997684, pages 434 - 436 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/181

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena

That the Council receive the Report on the Inaugural State of the Far North Address: Outcomes, Insights, and Future Directions.

CARRIED

8.3 MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Agenda item 8.3 document number A5002703, pages 458 - 499 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/182

Moved: Cr John Vujcich
Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

That Council note the reports submitted by Kahika Moko Tepania, Kōwhai Kelly Stratford, Crs Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Ann Court, Tāmati Rākena and Penetaui Kleskovic be received.

CARRIED

Attachments tabled at meeting

- 1 Member Report John Vujcich

8.4 COUNCIL OPEN RESOLUTIONS UPDATE DECEMBER 2024

Agenda item 8.4 document number A5002693, pages 500 - 514 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/183

Moved: Cr Steve McNally
Seconded: Cr Tāmāti Rākena

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

CARRIED**8.5 LOCAL WATER DONE WELL**

Supplementary Agenda item 8.1 document number A5023095, pages 4 - 57 refers

RESOLUTION 2024/184

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
Seconded: Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

That Council LEAVE TO LIE the following:

1. confirm the three water service delivery options to be consulted on are:
 - a) Internal Business Unit (“status quo”);
 - b) Single Council-owned water organisation;
 - c) Multi-Council owned water organisation; and
2. request staff hold another workshop on the three options in January 2025 and provide a further report on the preferred option to the February 2025 Council meeting.

CARRIED**9 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATAITI / PUBLIC EXCLUDED****RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC****RESOLUTION 2024/185**

Moved: Cr John Vujcich
Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

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
9.1 - 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	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

	<p>information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p> <p>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)</p>	<p>exist under section 6 or section 7</p>
9.2 - Facilities Management FNDC Swimming Pools	<p>s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p> <p>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)</p>	<p>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</p>
9.3 - Options for the Future of 11 Matthews Avenue, Kaitāia	<p>s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities</p> <p>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)</p>	<p>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</p>
9.4 - Disposal of land under Public Works Act: the Kaitāia waterwork known as Kauri Dam.	<p>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)</p>	<p>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</p>
9.5 - Moerewa Storm Water Improvements Contract Award	<p>s7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information</p>	<p>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</p>
9.6 - Kaitāia Wastewater Treatment Plant Desludging Procurement	<p>s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable Council to carry on, without prejudice or</p>	<p>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</p>

	disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7
9.7 - Options for Flood Affected Location	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 enable Council to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	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
9.8 - Council Public Excluded Open Resolutions Update December 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
9.9 - Committee Recommendations and Resolutions - December 2024	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 discussion, Council confirmed the following decision be restated in public meeting as follows:

Facilities Management FNDC Swimming Pools

That Council approve a variation to the 2020 Facilities Management Services Far North District Council Swimming Pools Contract to increase the value of the base management fee to Hapori Aquatics by \$REDACTED per annum bringing the base management fee to \$REDACTED per annum.

Options for the Future of 11 Matthews Avenue, Kaitāia

- e) That council adopt the Kaitāia concept masterplan, the Kaitāia town centre retail strategy and the Kaitāia Parking Strategy.

Return of land under Public Works Act: the Kaitāia waterwork known as Kauri Dam.

That Council receives the report – return of land under Public Works Act: the Kaitāia waterwork known as Kauri Dam.

CLOSING COMMENTS

- Kōwhai - Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford acknowledged that it's been 25 years since the Hundertwasser toilets were built in Kawakawa, and noted that these have heritage status and receive 250k visitors per year.
- Cr Felicity Foy noted that next week council will have its Mangamuka announcement with the reopening of State Highway 10, and noted the Kaitāia Airport signing on Friday 13 December.
- Kahika Moko Tepania wished everyone around the Far North a Merry Christmas.

10 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

At 3:33pm, Cr Tāmati Rākena closed the meeting with a karakia.

11 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 3:33pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 13 February 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON