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OPENING KARAKIA

MIHIMIHI

E nga waka, e nga mana e nga karangatangamaha, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou. E nga mate i tautini, he mihi aroha tenei ki a koutou, haere, haere, haere. E te hunga ora, rau rangatira ma tenei te kakano ka rua nei a morimoritia kia puawai ai. Hei aha? Hei maunga ringa ma nga whakaturupuranga, kia kaha, kia manawanui, kia u. Kia mau hoki ki te whakapono, te tumanako me te aroha.

1 APOLOGIES



2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - Monday, 16 July 2007.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Meeting of Te Taumata Runanga held on Monday, 16 July 2007, as circulated, be taken as read and now be confirmed.



3 URGENT BUSINESS

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 provides that where an item of business is not on the agenda, it may only be dealt with at the meeting if:

- (i) the Committee by resolution so decides; and
- (ii) the Chairman has explained at the beginning of the meeting (when open to the public) that the item will be raised for discussion and decision, why the item is not on the agenda, and why it cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

The Committee may make a decision on a matter determined to be urgent.

NOTE: Urgent Business need not be dealt with now and may be delayed until later in the meeting.






4 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The Council has acknowledged in its Code of Conduct that Elected Members need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to members to check that no such conflicts arise in relation to any items on this Agenda.



5 COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
Youth and Alcohol Problems in Wilsher Crescent and Henderson Park Public Forum 19 March 2007	At the meeting of Te Taumata Runanga held Monday, 19 March 2007, a presenter spoke in Public Forum raising concerns around youth and alcohol problems in Henderson Park and requested that a liquor ban be implemented in the park. Council officers are awaiting statistics from the Police regarding known problem areas in the City. This will form the basis for a liquor ban bylaw report. The report will go to the Planning and Regulatory Committee, and then to Te Taumata Runanga for their information.	Roy Hunt  836 8000 Extn: 8714

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
Workshop Between Te Taumata Runanga and the Waitakere Pacific Board	14 August 2006 Resolution No: 1564/2006	13 August 2007	Cheryl Talamaivao  836 8000 Extn: 8930
Waitakere Outrigger Canoe Club - Finding an Appropriate Site	10 April 2006 Resolution No: 624/2006	17 September 2007	Robert McGee  836 8000 Extn: 8558

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee Secretary's Report for 11 August 2007 be received.

Report prepared by: Ngareta Delamere, Committee Secretary.



6 AUCKLAND REGIONAL GOVERNANCE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update Te Taumata Runanga on decisions relating to the Auckland Regional Governance project and related matters.

BACKGROUND

Te Taumata Runanga has previously provided advice to Council on proposals developed by local and central government to strengthen Auckland's Regional Governance. Council incorporated this advice into its decisions and feedback on the proposals.

A1-A33

A copy of the final proposal document and the Council's resolutions in relation to it are attached at pages A1 to A33. Cabinet has now considered the paper and information relating to its decisions is discussed below.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The strengthening Auckland's Regional Governance project has been an attempt to improve the performance of the region as a whole, and in particular to provide for more effective regional-level engagement with central government. It addresses weaknesses in governance, funding, and strategic planning. It affects how councils of the region work together and work with central government.

Te Taumata Runanga has a role in advising Council on how issues and proposals such as this will impact on the ability of Maori to contribute to governance and local authority decision-making. The Council's Treaty of Waitangi strategic priority, the Treaty of Waitangi Framework and the statutory provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 relating to the obligations on councils to enhance the ability of Maori to contribute to local authority decision-making, provide the context for this role.

ISSUES

The proposal developed jointly between central and local government has now been considered by Cabinet. It has decided to adopt the package of proposals, which can be pursued, at least in the short to medium term, without legislative change.

Cabinet has also announced that there is to be a Royal Commission of Inquiry into Local Government in Auckland. This initiative was not discussed during the work on regional governance. The terms of reference and membership for the Royal Commission are yet to be established, and further information on these matters will be provided to Te Taumata Runanga as it comes to hand.

The Council has resolved to have two public meetings on the proposal for strengthening Auckland's Regional Governance. This will enable the public to gain a greater level of understanding about the proposals. Te Taumata Runanga members will be advised of the dates and times for these meetings, and Council would welcome attendance by members.

RESOURCES

As discussed in earlier reports, the proposals are likely to have a number of financial and resource implications as they are implemented. These include:

- development of a One Plan that, agreed by all parties (including central government), should provide for more certain funding allocation to strategic regional priorities;
- a key part of the governance proposal is to address current funding shortfalls at the regional level, through identifying new funding sources such as a regional fuel tax, development levies and departure tax; and

- there will be costs associated with implementing some reforms, such as a new name for the regional entity (if there is to be one), establishing and servicing the new Regional Sustainable Development Forum, and One Plan, the collection of new revenue sources and investigating new shared services' arrangements.

CONCLUSION

The proposal developed jointly between central and local government on strengthening Auckland's Regional Governance has now been considered by Cabinet. Cabinet has announced the adoption the package of proposals, as well as a Royal Commission of Inquiry into Local Government in Auckland. The terms of reference and membership for the Royal Commission are yet to be established.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Auckland Regional Governance report be received.

Report prepared by: Ross McLeod, Director: Corporate and Civic Services.



7 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Te Taumata Runanga will be held in the Civic Centre, on Monday, 17 September 2007, commencing at 5.00 pm.

A representative is invited to present Te Taumata Runanga report at the next meeting of Council to be held in the Civic Centre, on Wednesday, 29 August 2007, commencing at 5.30 pm.

