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Record of the Special Meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 7 September 1999 at 9.30am

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, Turver, Thomas and Werry

Officers Present

Messrs Allard, Benham, Darroch, Schollum, Stone, Ms Wood and Drs Bradbury and Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

P&F 117 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

Matter for Consideration

P&F 116 **Economic Wealth in the Greater Wellington Region and the Olympics Opportunity**

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The Chairperson welcomed Ms Suzanne Snively, representing the Wider Wellington Olympic Trade Focus Group (WWOTFG), and invited Suzanne to make a presentation to members on the ongoing economic opportunities for the Wellington Region from the Sydney Olympics and what assurance it needed if the Region is to benefit from these opportunities. The Chairperson also welcomed Ms Claire Johnstone, Wellington Regional Chamber of Commerce and Mr Bob Murdoch from the Industrial Supplies Office.

Councillor Gibson left at 11.00am.

Resolved to Recommend

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Shields)

That Council:

- (1) Supports in principle making a financial investment in the promotion of the Greater Wellington Region economy, so adding to its ability to maximise the ongoing wealth opportunities created by the Sydney 2000 Olympics Games.**
- (2) Invites the Wider Wellington Olympic Trade Focus Group (WWOTFG) to present a formal proposition for funding to the Council.**
- (3) Requests officers to work with the WWOTFG towards devising a structure and accountability regime consistent with responsibly managing public expenditure, on a programme of this type.**

The General Manager asked Councillors to note that the short timeframe for reporting back to the Council would be reflected in the precision and scope of that report.

The meeting closed at 11.15am.

Cr S A MACASKILL
Chairperson

Date: