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Report of the Special Meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Friday, 18 February 2000 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 McDavitt (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, McQueen, Shields and Turver

Officers Present

Messrs Cross, Darroch, Davey, Leonard, Saywell, Schollum, Stone and Dr Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

PT 82 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the apologies from Councillor Macaskill and Councillor Thomas be confirmed.

Matters for Recommendation

PT 83 **Investing in the Future: the Ten Year LTFS and the Annual Plan 2000/01**

(1) **Report 00.79** File: CP4/5/1

Moved *(Cr Shields/Cr McQueen)*

- (1) *That the Report be received and the contents noted.*
- (2) *It was further noted that Council, on the recommendation of the Policy and Finance Committee, resolve that in the preparation of the Ten Year Long Term Financial Strategy and Annual Plan, Committees consider both their own plans and budgets, and the evolution of those plans and budgets within the context of sustaining and enhancing the biophysical and human environment of the region.*

Carried

Moved *(Cr Gibson/Cr Turver)*

That in addition to the above two recommendations Council expresses its concern about ratepayers' funds (and other public funds) being spent on assets such as a new station at Raumati South which can then be sold for the benefit of a third party such as a transport operator and asks for appropriate new legislation and that this problem be addressed within the broader context of the Review of Local Government legislation.

The above motion was put and **Carried** 5 votes in favour and 3 votes opposed after a division as follows:

Ayes

Councillors Bonner
Gibson
McDavitt
Shields
Turver

Noes

Councillors Allen
Buchanan
McQueen

(2) **Report 00.72** File: CFO 7/6/8

Resolved *(Cr Shields/Cr McQueen)*

That the report be received and the contents noted.

PT 84 **Transport Division: Operating Plans 2000-2010**

Report 00.25

File: T/13/1/3

Strategy and Direction

Service Operators

Members requested that the wording about monopoly suppliers of passenger transport and the lack of competition be re-worded to acknowledge urban transport competes with private cars. Similar rewording should also be used in Sections 4.1.5 (Public Transport Department) and 4.1.6 (Transport Policy Department).

Outputs: Short Term

Members requested a breakdown of the \$30,130,000 budgeted for major activity one: transport funding for the 2000/01 financial year.

Major Activity (2): RLTC Matters and Public Transport Policy

Members asked for the document to list the new public transport infrastructure projects that would be funded in the first three years. It was suggested that the detailed summary as on page 2 of Report 00.25, which enhancement projects occur in which years, be used.

Customer Services Department

Funding Policy – Who Benefits and Who Pays

Members asked that the wording in (ii) (a) be changed to make the intent clearer by changing “borne equally” to “shared”.

Information and Co-operation and Competition

Members asked that after the word competition on line two the following be added “in the provision of public transport services”.

Operating Plans 2000-2010

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

(1) That Report 00.25 be received and the contents noted.

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

- (2) That the following proposed Operating Plans be approved in principle subject to the amendments noted by the Committee at today's meeting:
- Transport Policy
 - Public Transport
 - Customer Services
- (3) That the Proposed Operating Plans for the above activities be recommended to the Policy and Finance Committee for inclusion in the Council's proposed Long Term Financial Strategy 2000-2010 (incorporating Council's 2000/01 Annual Plan).

Councillor Gibson dissented.

The meeting closed at 12.05pm.

T J McDAVITT
Chairperson

Date:

Policy and Finance – 7 March 2000

To be moved:

That the report of the special meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held on 18 February 2000, Items PT 82 to PT 84 inclusive, and the recommendations contained therein, be adopted.