

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Open Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday 7 November 2024

Time: 2.00pm – 2:25pm

Venue Large Exhibition Hall
War Memorial Centre
Marine Parade
Napier

Livestreamed via Council's Facebook page

Present **Chair:** Mayor Wise
Members: Councillors Boag, Browne, Chrystal, Crown, Greig, Mawson, McGrath, Price and Taylor.

In Attendance Chief Executive (Louise Miller)
Acting Executive Director Corporate Services (Caroline Thomson) [online]
Executive Director Infrastructure Services (Russell Bond)
Executive Director Community Services (Thunes Cloete)
Manager Communications and Marketing (Julia Stevens) [online]
Team Leader Governance (Anna Eady)
Manager Water Reforms Transition (Andrew Lebioda)
Manager Property (Bryan Faulknor)
Carbon Emissions Advisor (Michelle Duncan)
Event Manager (Kevin Murphy)
Communications Manager (Jess Soutar Barron)
Financial Analyst (Dirk Steyn)
Executive Assistant to the Mayor (Vanessa Smith)

Administration Governance Advisors (Jemma McDade)

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

Karakia

The meeting opened with the Council Karakia.

Apologies

COUNCIL Councillors Price / Mawson

RESOLUTION

That the apologies from Deputy Mayor Brosnan and Councillor Simpson be accepted.

Carried

Councillor Tareha did not attend the meeting.

Conflicts of interest

Nil

Public forum

Nil

Announcements by the Mayor

Councillor Mawson provided a reminder that the Napier Monopoly game, as part of the Napier 150th celebrations, is now on sale and can be purchased at the Napier iSite and online at [Monopoly | Our Place Napier](#).

Announcements by the management

Nil

Confirmation of minutes

There are no minutes to confirm.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. LOCAL WATER DONE WELL

Type of Report: Operational

Legal Reference: N/A

Document ID: 1799798

Reporting Officer/s & Unit: Andrew Lebioda, Manager Water Reforms Transition

1.1 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council endorse the continuation of the joint Hawke's Bay Water work by moving to the development of a Business Case.

Business Case development follows the initial financial modelling undertaken to date, and will evaluate Hawke's Bay water services delivery options (within council, council CCO or multi-council CCO), summarising key financial and non-financial impacts for each council and its ratepayers.

The Business Case will also provide a consistent basis for councils to make an informed decision on a preferred delivery model, ahead of the required public consultation.

At the meeting

Executive Director Infrastructure Services (Russell Bond) joined the officer to present the report. This paper follows on from the 22 October workshop with the modelling options to be refined into the business case.

There were no questions.

COUNCIL Mayor Wise / Councillor Price

RESOLUTION

That Council:

- a. **Note**
 - i. the policy and legislative requirements under central Government's Local Water Done Well framework for the future of water service delivery.
 - ii. the initial scenario modelling work undertaken to date.
- b. **Endorse** the process to progress with the development of a Business Case.

Carried

2. LICENCES FOR EV CHARGERS ON RESERVE LAND

Type of Report: Legal and Operational

Legal Reference: Reserves Act 1977

Document ID: 1806235

Reporting Officer/s & Unit: Bryan Faulknor, Manager Property
Michelle Duncan, Carbon Emissions Advisor

2.1 Purpose of Report

To seek Council's approval to grant a Licence to Meridian Energy Limited to install and operate Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations at two Council sites. Both are Reserve Land pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977, being the Aquarium Carpark on Marine Parade and the Flanders Avenue Carpark at Onekawa Park.

At the meeting

The officers presented the report.

Questions were answered clarifying:

- Other councils, including Wellington City Council and Hutt City Council, have contracts with Meridian and are not charging a fee to Meridian.
- There were six locations originally identified as suitable, this was narrowed down to the current two due to: the proximity to a transformer, the lack of impact on parking in the CBD, availability of parking, safety, and traffic management. The use of the car parking spaces would not be limited to users of the EV chargers.
- NZTA will have data as to quantity of electric vehicles in Napier; charging stations are also available for visitors to Napier. Existing charging stations are spread across the city. Meridian have received Government funding for the charging stations and approached Napier based on their research. This will include modelling around vehicle numbers. Ground disturbance required for installation is minimal.
- The contracts with Meridian need to be in place within six months for their funding to be realised. Installation will not necessarily fall within that timeframe.
- The reimaging process currently being undertaken by Council may impact the future use of the Aquarium carpark during the lifespan of this lease.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Mayor Wise / Councillor Crown

That Council:

- a. **Approve**, as Administering Body, the granting of a Licence pursuant to Section 61 (1) of the Reserves Act 1977 to Meridian Energy Limited to install and operate an EV Charging Station on the National Aquarium of NZ carpark, Marine Parade.
 - b. **Approve**, as Administering Body, the granting of a Licence pursuant to Section 54 (1) (d) of the Reserves Act 1977 to Meridian Energy
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Limited to install and operate an EV Charging Station on the Flanders Avenue Carpark, Onekawa Park.

- c. **Approve**, in exercise of the Ministerial consent (Under delegation from the Minister of Conservation) the granting of the above Licence relating to Onekawa Park.
- d. **Resolve**, to approve that the initial term of the Licences for both sites be for (10) ten years with one right of renewal (by agreement) of 5 years. Subject to an early exit clause being included in the Lease agreement for both locations.
- e. **Note** that, pursuant to Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977, the proposed Licence relating to Onekawa Park is required to be publicly notified and should any objections or submissions be received then the matter will be required to be brought back to Council. Should no submissions or objections be received then the above resolution stands.
- f. **Note** that in granting the Licences Council is merely acting in its capacity as a Licensor and owner of the land. Any such approval shall not imply the consent of Council as a regulatory authority, and thus the installations are subject to Meridian obtaining all required regulatory consents.

Carried

Councillors McGrath and Mawson voted against the motion

Minor matters

Nil

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Councillors Taylor / Mawson

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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

Carried

Agenda Items

1. Soundshell Concert - February 2025
2. Land Purchase

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public was excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution were 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(1) to the passing of this resolution.	Plain English reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter
	That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to:	48(1)(a) That the public conduct of the whole or 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:	

Agenda Items

1. Soundshell Concert - February 2025	7(2)(h) Enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	48(1)(a) That the public conduct of the whole or 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: (i) Where the local authority is named or specified in Schedule 1 of this Act, under section 6 or 7 (except 7(2)(f)(i)) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.	To enable Council to conduct commercial activities and create a template for future events.
2. Land Purchase	7(2)(i) Enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)	48(1)(a) That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which	Allow negotiations to proceed with land owners regarding purchase price

		good reason for withholding would exist: (i) Where the local authority is named or specified in Schedule 1 of this Act, under section 6 or 7 (except 7(2)(f)(i)) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.	
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Public Excluded Text

Council has considered the public interest in the information above and balanced those interests with the reason(s) for withholding this information. This ensures Council has met the requirements for withholding information under section 7(2) of the Local Government and Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

The meeting closed at 2:25pm

Approved and adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Chairperson

Date of approval