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Report 06.100

Regional Land Transport Committee

Minute extract from meeting held on 11 April 2006

Western Corridor Plan

Noted

Councillor Buchanan advised of the following amendment to Attachment 2 to Report 06.100: p. 40 of the Order Paper:

- Sentence 1 to read (new text in italics): Greater Wellington is currently undertaking detailed investigations to *implement the objective* of providing a 15 minute peak service frequency on this line.
- 1.7 Roading: Policy 1.18 to read: Develop a multi-lane, median-divided road, *tolled if necessary*, along the full length of the corridor matching sustainable levels of demand

Papers tabled

- Notes provided by Mr Hunter of LTNZ.
- 4C. Wellington Western Corridor — Action Paper CS/06/4/5506 PR6-5001 (Transit New Zealand).

Moved

(Cr Buchanan /Cr Evans)

- (1) *Adopts the Western Corridor Plan (April 2006) as amended as set out in Attachment 2 of this report.*
- (2) *Recommends that Greater Wellington Regional Council amends the Regional Land Transport Strategy by replacing the Western Corridor Plan Implementation Plan (1999) with the Western Corridor Plan (April 2006) as amended.*
- (3) *Establishes a deputation, led by the Chair of the Regional Council, comprising of the*

chair of the Regional Land Transport Committee and the region's mayors, to undertake discussions with appropriate Government Ministers to resolve uncertainties in funding the Western Corridor Plan, and to report back to the Committee

Moved as an amendment

(Mayor Prendergast/Mayor Staples)

That the words "subject to the provisions in Clauses 3-8" be added to the end of Clause 2

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Mayor Prendergast then proposed a suite of amendments which were taken separately as clauses 3-8 below as further amended by the meeting. These amendments are incorporated into the resolution.

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Evans)

That the Committee:

- (1) Adopts the Western Corridor Plan (April 2006) as amended as set out in Attachment 2 of this report.***
- (2) Recommends that Greater Wellington Regional Council amends the Regional Land Transport Strategy by replacing the Western Corridor Plan Implementation Plan (1999) with the Western Corridor Plan (April 2006) as amended.***
- (3) Notes that Transmission Gully should not be funded at the expense of other transport and roading projects required to meet the transport needs of all communities in the region and ensure their future growth and prosperity, in particular:***
 - (i) Projects in the Ngauranga to Airport corridor.***
 - (ii) The proposed Grenada to Hutt Valley link.***
- (4) Recommends that enduring regulatory land use controls and other mechanisms be introduced by relevant local authorities, potentially including land ownership and binding access limitations to avoid generating urban sprawl.***
- (5) Recommends that Greater Wellington Regional Council urgently investigates mechanisms for travel demand management to avoid adverse impact on passenger transport patronage, including the investigation of congestion charging on the Western Corridor.***
- (6) Recommends the early implementation of passenger transport projects in advance of the completion of transmission Gully, to help ensure public transport patronage is maintained and enhanced***

- (7) *Requests the Regional Land Transport Committee to consider seriously how to respond to the clear scientific threat of climate change*
- (8) *Requests that the Regional Land Transport Committee, with the support of Government agencies, develops a case for new funding criteria to determine how “critical, strategic, special and national” projects can be funded*
- (9) *Establishes a deputation, led by the Chair of the Regional Council, comprising of the chair of the Regional Land Transport Committee and the region’s mayors, to undertake discussions with appropriate Government Ministers to resolve uncertainties in funding the Western Corridor Plan, and to report back to the Committee*
- (10) *Notes that the Western Corridor Plan has to meet the legal requirements set out in S.175 of the Land Transport Act 1998, and be consistent with the Regional Land Transport Strategy.*
- (11) *Notes the concern that the Western Corridor Hearings Subcommittee’s Report does not adequately address these requirements with respect to environmental sustainability and the environment, and with respect to the New Zealand Transport Strategy, the National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy, the Regional Policy Statement and the Regional Land Transport Strategy and requests further information.*

Noted

- (i) *Mayor Ogden asked that his negative vote be recorded. Messrs Hunter, Mellor and Taylor abstained from voting.*
- (ii) *Mayor Prendergast asked that the following be placed in the minutes: “Wellington City Council reserves its position in respect of accepting the Western Corridor Hearings Subcommittee’s findings re inclusion of the Transmission Gully Motorway in the Regional Land Transport Plan in the event that points 3 – 8 are not actioned and/or implemented in a timely manner.*
- (iii) *In response to the concern in (11), further information on assessment templates from Western Corridor Hearings Subcommittee deliberations is to be circulated.*