

HUTT CITY COUNCIL

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES SUBCOMMITTEE

Temporary Road Closures Subcommittee to be held in the The Matiu Room,
Hutt City Council, 531 High Street, Lower Hutt on
Tuesday 16 June 2015 commencing at 3.15pm.

ORDER PAPER

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES

Mayor WR Wallace and Mr Reid, General Manager, Community Services.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Generally up to 30 minutes is set aside for public comment (three minutes per speaker on items appearing on the agenda). Speakers may be asked questions on the matters they raise.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

**4. PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURE - AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY
EVENT 2015 (15/831)**

Report No. TRC2015/3/170 by the Senior Traffic Engineer

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5. QUESTIONS

With reference to section 43 of Standing Orders, before putting a question a member shall endeavour to obtain the information. Questions shall be concise and in writing and handed to the Chair prior to the commencement of the meeting.



Temporary Road Closures Subcommittee

26 May 2015

File: (15/831)

Report no: TRC2015/3/170

Proposed Road Closure - American Independence Day Event 2015

Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the approval, as per the authorised process, for the temporary closure of a road in Hutt City.

Recommendations

2. That the Subcommittee approves the temporary road closure for an 'American Independence Day Event 2015' for the closing of a section of Victoria Street (South), from Hume Street to Wakefield Street, on the afternoon of Saturday 4 July 2015, from 12:00pm to 4:00pm (as shown in Appendix 2 to the report).

Description of Event

3. Council has received an application from the Alicetown Community Centre to close a section of Victoria Street (South) to traffic on Saturday 4 July 2015 from 12:00pm to 4:00pm to hold an American Independence Day Event 2015, the details of which are included in Appendix 1 to the report.

Discussion

4. The Alicetown Community Centre is holding an American Independence Day Event 2015 in conjunction with the American Retro Shop and local businesses in the Alicetown Village. This is the first time this event has been held and will include the display of a variety of American cars.

City Promotions Division Support

5. The proposed event supports Council's Event Strategy.

Proposal Notice

6. The public notice that Council was proposing to consider this closure was published in the Hutt News on Tuesday 2 June 2015.

Consultation

7. Extensive consultation has been carried out in Victoria Street (South). No objections were received in response to this consultation, nor to the public proposal notice in the Hutt News.

Traffic Impact Assessment

8. In the opinion of the Traffic Asset Manager, acting as Council's Traffic Engineer, the proposed closure, if implemented according to the plans provided, is not likely to impede traffic unreasonably.

Conditions of Closure

9. Subsequent to approval the organisers will be written to with the standard conditions.

Legal Considerations

10. Approval is required from the City Development Committee or the Temporary Road Closures Subcommittee to allow for the temporary closure of roads. This will ensure Council is complying with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1974 (Schedule 10) for the temporary closure of roads within its jurisdiction.

Financial Considerations

11. For a community event, the cost of the public notices in the Hutt News is paid from Council budgets. For commercial events, the cost of the public notices is passed onto the appropriate event organiser. This event is a community event.

Other Considerations

12. In making this recommendation, officers have given careful consideration to the purpose of local government in Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. Officers believe that this recommendation falls within the purpose of local government in that it is supported by the affected residents and improves road safety for the benefit of all road users. It does this in a way that is cost-effective because it uses standard road markings and signs.

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Appendix 1**American Independence Day Event 2015: Proposed Temporary Road Closure Impact Report****1. Description of Event**

The Alicetown Community Centre has applied to temporarily close Victoria Street (South), between Hume Street and Wakefield Street, to through traffic on Saturday 4th July 2015 from 12:00pm to 4:00pm for an American Independence Day Event.

All businesses, residents, and the Kura within the closed area have been consulted and have no objections to the closure.

2. City Promotions Division Support

The City Promotions Division has assessed the proposed event with regard to its contribution towards Council's strategies and policies. The proposed event supports the Council's events strategy and will contribute to the outcomes listed in the Long Term Plan.

3. Proposal Notice

The public notice, that the Council was proposing to consider this closure, was published in the Hutt News on Tuesday 2nd June 2015.

4. Consultation

No objections have been received in response to the public proposal notice.

5. Traffic Impact Assessment**Prior Closures**

The proposed closure for this event will not result in this road being closed for an aggregate of more than 31 days this year, i.e. it does not exceed the LGA restriction of not more than 31 days in any year.

Traffic Impact

In the opinion of Lyle Earl, Traffic Asset Manager, acting as Council's Traffic Engineer, the proposed closure, if implemented according to the plans provided, is not likely to impede traffic unreasonably.

Such events have become quite common in the City and appear to be generally well accepted by the public who acknowledge the traffic effects as a reasonable trade-off for the benefits provided by the events.

In this particular instance, there should be little in the way of wider network effects because of the day of the week and the minor nature of the road involved.

The Traffic Asset Manager is of the view therefore that the proposed closure will be acceptable in terms of its traffic related effects subject to a high level of awareness being achieved through advertising and a high standard of on-street signage and traffic control at the closure points.

Lyle Earl

Traffic Assets Manager

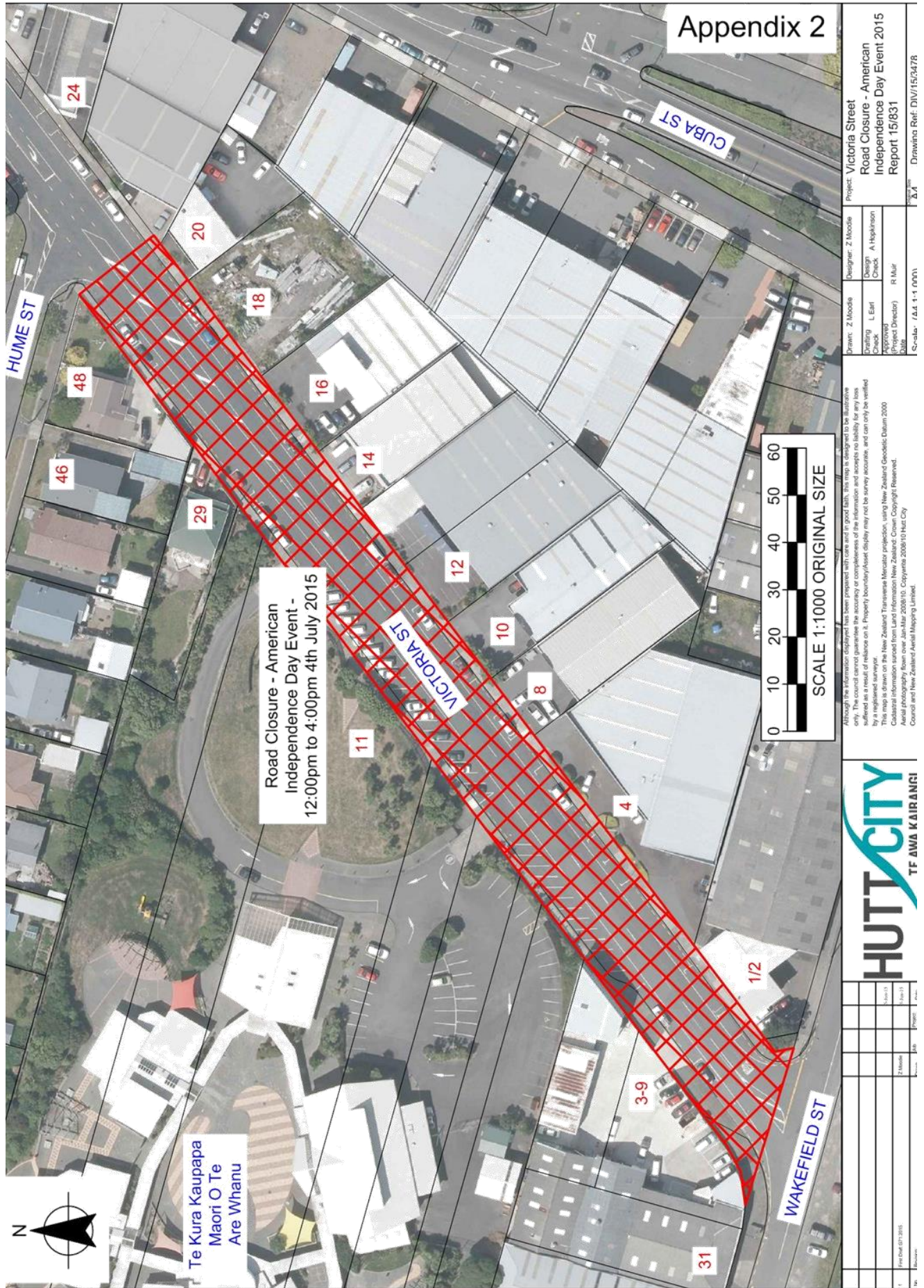
6. Conditions of Closure

Subsequent to approval, the organisers will be written to with the standard conditions that will apply, being:

- The closure shall apply only to the road for the hours as approved.
- The applicant shall allow access for all emergency vehicles.
- The applicant will act as directed by the Police or by officers of Council's Road Controlling Authority. A contact name and phone number for the Police is given to the applicant.
- The applicant will be responsible for undertaking all work relating to the physical closure of roads and managing the closure.
- The applicant will be responsible for ensuring closed roads are left in a suitably clean and tidy state following the completion of the event. A contact name and phone number for Intergroup Ltd, Council's Street Cleaning Contractor, is given to the applicant .

7. Appendices

Appendix 2: Plan of the road closure.



Appendix 2

Project: Victoria Street Road Closure - American Independence Day Event 2015
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