

HUTT CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of The Hutt City Council held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt on
Tuesday 21 February 2017 commencing at 9.00am

PRESENT:

Mayor WR Wallace (Chair)	
Cr G Barratt	Cr C Barry
Deputy Mayor D Bassett	Cr L Bridson
Cr J Briggs	Cr MJ Cousins
Cr S Edwards	Cr T Lewis
Cr M Lulich	Cr G McDonald
Cr C Milne	Cr L Sutton

APOLOGIES: There were no apologies.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr T Stallinger, Chief Executive
Ms J Raffills, General Manager, Governance and Regulatory
Mr B Kibblewhite, Chief Financial Officer
Mr D Kerite, Building Manager
Mr B Monaghan, Divisional Manager, City Promotions
Ms K Stannard, Divisional Manager Secretariat Services
Ms H Clegg, Minute Taker

PUBLIC BUSINESS**1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments are recorded under the item to which they relate.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

There were no conflicts of interest.

4. **FUNDING PROPOSAL RELATING TO THE UNREINFORCED MASONRY BUILDINGS LEGISLATION** (17/226)

Report No. HCC2017/1/82 by the General Manager, Governance and Regulatory

The General Manager, Governance and Regulatory elaborated on the report. She advised that the legislation would be introduced to Cabinet on 28 February 2017 and not this week as initially advised. She clarified that officers had now calculated the number of affected buildings to be 84 rather than 80. However, she stated that some of those buildings may not need work carried out as any issues may have already been attended to by the owners. She explained that all building owners will be contacted once the legislation was "live" after next week. She confirmed that the amount of funding required was estimated to be at least \$375,000. However the figure may change.

The Building Manager highlighted that officers would be engaging with every building owner as soon as possible after 28 February 2017.

In response to questions from members, the General Manager, Governance and Regulatory confirmed that officers had assessed what they believed to be the key routes within the City. However the routes needed to be confirmed by the Ministry of Building, Innovation and Employment. She highlighted that the final confirmation would occur after 28 February 2017 and that no action would be taken before the final confirmation. She confirmed that the once she had received that confirmation, then the information would be circulated to Councillors.

RESOLVED: (Mayor Wallace/Deputy Mayor Bassett)

Minute No. C 17101(2)

"That Council:

- (i) *receives the information contained in this report;*
- (ii) *notes that the Government announced its initiative in providing a \$3million funding package for the mandatory strengthening within 12 months of the street facing unreinforced masonry (URM) buildings on key routes and that the initiative includes buildings in Lower Hutt;*
- (iii) *notes that this funding package records the joint initiative with Central Government and Council paying up to half the cost of securing the works to a maximum of \$15,000 for a URM façade and/or \$10,000 for a URM parapet;*
- (iv) *notes that if Council does not allocate funding, the mandatory strengthening requirement will remain but no public funding will be available;*
- (v) *agrees that, consistent with the funding proposal, it will allocate its portion to the building fund on the basis that the Government and Council contribution will be on a 2:1 ratio for the 2017/18 year, currently estimated to be at least \$375,000;*
- (vi) *agrees to enter into the funding proposal with the Central Government to give effect to part (v) above;*
- (vii) *authorises officers to do all things necessary to finalise the funding proposal with the Ministry of Building, Innovation and Employment; and*

(viii) authorises the Chief Executive Officer to execute the funding proposal once finalised."

5. QUESTIONS

There were no questions

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.10am.

WR Wallace
MAYOR

CONFIRMED as a true and correct record
Dated this 14th day of March 2017