

24 Approval of Plan Change 127 - Huapai North: Introduction of Special 29 Zone to the Auckland Council District Plan (Rodney Section) 2011

Resolution number RDO/2012/264

MOVED by Cr P Webster, seconded Cr DM Morrison:

That the Regional Development and Operations Committee:

- a) **approves Plan Change 127 to the District Plan, as set out in Attachment A to this report, pursuant to Clause 17 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.**
- b) **authorises the Manager Planning North/West to complete the statutory processes under Clause 20 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991 to make Plan Change 127 operative in the District Plan.**

CARRIED

26 Presentation on the Trans-Pacific Partnership and Free Trade Agreements - Recommendation from the Economic Forum

Deputy Mayor Hulse exited the meeting at 2:22 pm.

MOVED by Cr MA Hartley, seconded Cr W Walker:

That the Regional Development and Operations Committee:

- a) encourages the government to conclude negotiations on the Trans-Pacific Partnership and Free Trade Agreements in a way that provides net positive benefits for Auckland and New Zealand.

Resolution number RDO/2012/265

MOVED by Cr MA Hartley, seconded Cr W Walker:

Cr Northey moved an amendment, by way of addition to the original recommendation, seconded by Cr Casey:

- a) ..., that is, provided the Partnership and Agreements achieve the following objectives:
 - i. Continues to allow the Auckland Council and other councils, if they so choose, to adopt procurement policies that provide for a degree of local preference; to choose whether particular services or facilities are provided in house, by council-controlled organisations (CCOs) or by contracting out; or to require higher health and safety, environmental protection, employment rights and conditions, community participation, animal protection or human rights standards than national or international minimum standards.
 - ii. Maintains good diplomatic and trade relations and partnerships for Auckland and New Zealand with other major trading partners not included in the agreement, including with China.
 - iii. Provides substantially increased access for our agriculture exports, particularly those from the Auckland region into the US market;
 - iv. Does not undermine PHARMAC, raise the cost of medical treatments and medicines or threaten public health measures, such as tobacco control;
 - v. Does not give overseas investors or suppliers any greater rights than domestic investors and suppliers, such as through introducing Investor-State Dispute Settlement, or reduce our ability to control overseas investment or finance;
 - vi. Does not expand intellectual property rights and enforcement in excess of current law;

- vii. Does not weaken our public services, require privatisation, hinder reversal of privatisations, or increase the commercialisation of government or of Auckland Council or other local government organisations;
- viii. Does not reduce our flexibility to support local economic and industry development and encourage good employment and environmental practices and initiatives like Council Cadetships, COMET and the Mayor's Taskforce for Jobs which enable marginalised young people to develop their skills and transition into meaningful employment;
- ix. Contains enforceable labour clauses requiring adherence to core International Labour Organisation conventions and preventing reduction of labour rights for trade or investment advantage;
- x. Contains enforceable environmental clauses preventing reduction of environmental standards for trade or investment advantage;
- xi. Has general exceptions to protect human rights, the environment, the Treaty of Waitangi, and New Zealand's economic and financial stability;
- xii. Has been negotiated with real public consultation including regular public releases of drafts of the text of the agreement, and ratification being conditional on a full social, environmental and economic impact assessment including public submissions.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Councillors: Dr Cathy Casey
Sandra Coney
Alf Filipaina
Ann Hartley
Mike Lee
Richard Northey
David Taipari
Patience Te Ao
Wayne Walker

Against:

Councillors: Hon Chris Fletcher
Des Morrison
Calum Penrose
Noelene Raffills
Sir John Walker
Penny Webster
George Wood

Cr Anae Arthur Anae, Cr Cameron Brewer, Mayor Len Brown, Cr Michael Goudie, Deputy Mayor Penny Hulse, Cr Dick Quax and Cr Sharon Stewart were not in the room at the time of voting.

The division was declared CARRIED by 9 votes to 7.

CARRIED

The substantive motion was put:

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CARRIED

Cr Fletcher exited the meeting at 2:44 pm.

27 Final copy of the Maui's dolphin Threat Management Plan Submission to DOC and MPI

Resolution number RDO/2012/267

MOVED by Cr MA Hartley, seconded Cr W Walker:

That the Regional Development and Operations Committee:

- a) approves the final submission on the Maui's dolphin Threat Management Plan (TMP), which was lodged with the Department of Conservation and Ministry for Primary Industries on 12 November 2012.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Hulse returned to the meeting 2:45pm