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Report PE 00.782

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Report of the Public Excluded Part of the Meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Wednesday, 1 November 2000 at 12.05pm

Matters for Council Decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.
Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.

Present

Councillors McDavitt (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Macaskill, McQueen and Turver

Officers Present

Messrs Bezett, Brennand, Cross, Davey, Grace, Leonard and Stone and Dr Watson

Also Present

Councillors Laidlaw, Shaw and Werry

Public Excluded Business

Procedural Items

PE PT07 Apologies

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the apologies from Councillors Gibson and Shields, be confirmed.

Matter for Information

PE PT09 Urban Rail Contract

Mr Stone gave a presentation outlining a number of options open to the Council in response to the recent announcement by Tranz Rail.

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Resolved (Cr Macaskill/Cr McDavitt)

That the General Manager be authorised to enter into an agreement with Tranz Rail which will allow the option of purchasing Tranz Metro Wellington to be pursued, noting that:

1. *In light of Tranz Rail's announcement of its strategic intentions, the current basis of contractual arrangement is neither satisfactory nor sustainable.*
2. *Such agreement will not commit the Council to a material course of action without its prior approval.*
3. *The current legal mandate of the Council will need to be changed for a purchase to be concluded.*
4. *The authority provided be reported to the Council in Public Excluded business at its next scheduled meeting.*

The meeting closed at 1.15pm.

T J McDAVITT
Chairperson

Date

Wellington Regional Council – 7 December 2000

To be moved:

That the report of the Public Excluded part of the Passenger Transport Committee held on 1 November 2000, Items PE PT07 and PE PT08 inclusive, be adopted.