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Report PE02.250

14 May 2002

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Record of the Public Excluded Part of the Special Meeting of the Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 14 May 2002 at 11.00am

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 Shields (Chairperson), Aitken, Barr, Buchanan, Evans, Kirton, Laidlaw, Long, McDavitt, Thomas, Turver, Werry and Yardley

Officers Present

Messrs Benham, Cutler, Darroch, Forlong, Laplanche, Maguire, Schollum, Stone, Vitalis, Wright and Drs Bradbury and Watson

Public Excluded Business

Procedural Items

PEPF&S17 Apologies

There were no apologies.

Matters for Consideration

PEPFS 18 **Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 – Implications for WRC**

Report PE 02.238

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Resolved to Recommend	(Cr Evans/Cr McDavitt)
That Council:	
(1)	Receive the report and note its contents.
(2)	Agree that continuing the agency relationship with territorial authorities for the collection of WRC rates beyond 30 June 2003 be the preferred option given the net benefits which will accrue to ratepayers;
(3)	Continue to work with territorial authorities with a view to extending the agency relationship, for the collection of WRC rates, beyond 30 June 2003;
(4)	Authorise officers to actively investigate options for the separate collection of WRC rates so that if necessary the Council is positioned to collect its own rates with effect from 1 July 2003;
(5)	Request officers to seek an extension of time for the implementation date of some or all of the LGR to ensure that any change in collection arrangements will be able to be appropriately managed with minimal risk to the community; and
(6)	Request officers to report back to the Committee as the process unfolds.

PEPF&S19 **Tranz Metro: Performance Issue Update**

Report PE 02.206

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A copy of a letter dated 10 May 2002 from Michael J Beard, Managing Director, Tranz Rail Limited, to the Chairperson, Wellington Regional Council, was circulated.

Moved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Yardley)

That Council:

- (1) Notes this report.*
- (2) Recommends that the Tranz Metro February/March monthly performance report be released from Public Excluded business and made available to the public along with the results for April.*
- (3) Recommends the Chairman of the Passenger Transport Committee make a statement reflecting the view of Council to coincide with the release of the Tranz Metro operating reports.*

Amendment

(Cr Thomas/Cr Barr)

- (4) That a copy of the letter from the Chairperson, Wellington Regional Council, to the Managing Director of Tranz Rail Limited and a copy of the letter from Mr Stone, General Manager, to Tranz Rail Limited, in response to a letter from that Company, be copied to the Land Transport Safety Authority.*

CARRIED

The motion as amended was then put and **CARRIED** viz:

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The public excluded part of the meeting closed at 12 noon.

Cr MK SHIELDS

Chairperson

Date: