
Auckland City Centre Advisory Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board held in the Rooms 1 & 2, Level 26, 135 Albert Street , Auckland on Wednesday, 28 October 2015 at 3.00pm.

PRESENT

		City Centre Stakeholder
Chairperson	Kate Healy	Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei
Deputy Chairperson	Barbara Holloway	Business Improvement District
Members	Dick Ayres	CBD Residents Advisory Group
	Viv Beck	Business Improvement District
	Greg Cohen	Tourism/Travel
	Shale Chambers	Waitemata Local Board, Auckland Council
	Tim Coffey	CBD Residents Advisory Group
	Terry Cornelius, JP, FCA	Retail sector
	Jillian de Beer	Arts and Cultural Sector
	Andrew Gaukrodger	Corporate sector including financial and other professional services
	Mark Kingsford	Corporate sector including financial and other professional services
	Mike Lee, <i>From 3.31pm until 4.29pm</i>	Liaison councillor, Auckland Council
	Nigel Murphy	Tertiary Education (University of Auckland & Auckland University of Technology)
	Alex Voutratzis	Property Council of NZ

ABSENT

Mayor Brown on council business
John Coop
Cr Lee lateness on council business
Prof Jenny Dixon

1 Apologies

Resolution number CEN/2015/84

MOVED by Member Dick Ayres, seconded by Member Nigel Murphy:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **accept the apologies from Mayor Brown, Members Jenny Dixon and Peter Fehl (alternate) and John Coop for absence and Cr Lee for lateness on council business.**

CARRIED

2 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number CEN/2015/85

MOVED by Member Shale Chambers, seconded by Member Terry Cornelius:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Wednesday, 23 September 2015, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Extraordinary Business

4.1 Funding Application by the K'Rd Business Association

Member Barbara Holloway tabled an application for funding for the K'Road Business Association.

Resolution number CEN/2015/86

MOVED by Member S Chambers, seconded by Member N Murphy:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **receive the item and be considered as Item 12 of the agenda.**

CARRIED

5 Issues of significance

Resolution number CEN/2015/87

MOVED by Member Dick Ayres, seconded by Member Nigel Murphy:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **receive the verbal update from Member Tim Coffey regarding the meetings of the Port Future Study Reference group.**

CARRIED

6 CCI Progress Update for Auckland City Centre Advisory Board to 21 October 2015

Andrew gave an overview of the report. Comments were noted as follows:

- Members were encouraged to view the Nelson Street Cycle way youtube video at this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=61m9wzkxgXg> noting that the official opening day and the public open day is planned for early December
- Skypath: Environment Court sessions have been issued for 8-11 December
- Expressions of interest for the Residents Survey has been sought and will report back to the Board at a future meeting.
- A series of workshops with stakeholders is planned for the Quay Park Strategic Development Framework to discuss current constraints and future opportunities.
- Noted that a number of large –scale transformational projects are programmed for the Downtown area commencing mid-2016; (CRL, potential development in the Britomart Precinct, and the redevelopment of the Downtown Shopping Centre, which will close Queen Elizabeth Square) Pedestrian access to and through Lower Queen Street will be maintained throughout. Initiatives are planned to keep the downtown area open and active throughout this time for workers, visitors and residents.

Member Tim Coffey provided the following comments:

- Residents of Federal Street would be interested in what's happening and any consultation
- Tim asked to be engaged on the scope and brief for the Residents Survey.
- Requested that the views of Quay Park residents are considered through the Quay Park investigations.

Cr Mike Lee provided the following comments:

- Concerns regarding temporary developments in open space in particular commercial shops on Queens Wharf which is public space. Also has concerns about the intention and the role of the Advisory Board in advising on these developments instead of being told of these developments.
- Andrew advised that these temporary activations initiatives were raised before at the ACCAB meetings and have also received the support from the Waitemata Local Board. These initiatives will be taken away after the construction period ends. The Board was assured that council is seeking to maintain and activate public access in the downtown area in response to the larger scale developments planned.
- Rory advised that the proposal for Queens Village is a temporary 'pop-up' offering to partly mitigate the significant loss of convenience shops during the construction period.

Member Dick Ayres provided the following comment for staff's consideration:

- Federal Street – redevelopment – the old Yates building is for sale and streetscape redevelopment plans should consider the future of this site.

Member Barb Holloway suggested (with general support for the Board members) that an upgrade for Beresford Square is reinstated on the Forward Works Programme, now that CRL has deferred a station entrance at that location.

Member Viv Beck requested that reference designs for Lower Queen Street and Albert street reinstatement upgrades be brought back to a following meeting.

Member Viv Beck updated the Board regarding the drenchers/sprinklers issue raised by Cr Casey at the September meeting. They are still working with staff on initiatives and will update the Board at the next meeting on progress.

Resolution number CEN/2015/88

MOVED by Member Alex Voutratzis , seconded by Member Mark Kingsford:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) receive the City Centre Integration progress report, updated to 21 October 2015.
- b) receive the verbal update from Member Viv Beck in relation to the drenchers/sprinklers in the CBD.

CARRIED

7 Potential CCTR Streetscape Upgrade Projects

Gyles Bendall, Public Realm Programme leader was present for this item. He advised that the four areas that are currently considered for investment are St Paul Street, Mills Lane, Britomart area and Nelson Street Slip Lane.

The meeting agreed to distribute a copy of the letter from SugarTree Developments, requesting investment of CCTR to upgrade the Nelson St Slip-lane for the benefit of residents and public access.

Resolution number CEN/2015/89

MOVED by Member Barbara Holloway, seconded by Member Nigel Murphy:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) receive the Targeted Rate Potential Projects Report.

CARRIED

Items 9 and 10 were taken at this point.

9 Aotea Quarter Framework – Draft Consultation Findings and Initial Responses

Tim Watts, Manager City Centre Design and Delivery gave an overview of the report outlining the three themes that have emerged from the consultation and outlined the proposed initial responses to the update.

Member Viv Beck noted that the HotC Board position is not to support the design proposals in their current form, due to concerns expressed by businesses, particularly relating to the closure of Freyberg Place, the potential effects of construction disruption, and the lack of a wider precinct plan. HotC supports further engagement with businesses to resolve these issues before proceeding.

Resolution number CEN/2015/90

MOVED by Member Jillian de Beer, seconded by Member Nigel Murphy:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) receive the draft consultation findings and initial responses update.

CARRIED

10 Downtown Public Spaces – Investigation & Design

Todd Berry, Senior Programme Manager was present for this item.

Members raised concerns in relation to the process followed to date, and why funding was being sought from the CCTR.

Staff confirmed to Members that the funding with interest would be reimbursed to the CCTR upon receipt of funds from the sale of QE Square in February 2018 and that this a loan to help advance the design of the project only.

Resolution number CEN/2015/91

MOVED by Member Barbara Holloway, seconded by Member Andrew Gaukrodger:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **endorse allocation of up to \$1.450m of targeted rate budget between FY15/16 – FY17/18 to enable the investigation and design of works associated with the Downtown Public Spaces, on the basis that funds will be reimbursed upon receipt of funds from the sale of QES in Feb 2018 (or earlier), including costs of funding / interest.**

CARRIED

8 Update from Panuku Development Auckland

Clive Fuhr, Project Development Director Central gave a verbal update for the Board's information.

Resolution number CEN/2015/92

MOVED by Member Dick Ayres, seconded by Member Viv Beck:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **receive and thank the Development Director, Panuku Development Auckland for his update and attendance.**

CARRIED

11 Freyberg Square/Ellen Melville Hall update

Resolution number CEN/2015/93

MOVED by Member Mark Kingsford, seconded by Member Barbara Holloway:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **receive the update.**

CARRIED

12 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

12.1 Application for CCTR Funding - K'Rd Business Association

An application was tabled for discussion by Member Holloway.

Resolution number CEN/2015/94

MOVED by Member Tim Coffey, seconded by Member Dick Ayres:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **receive the tabled application and refer to staff for a report back to the November meeting.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 28 October 2015 - Auckland City Centre Advisory Board - Item 12 - Application for CCTR funding - K'Road Business Association

12.2 Resignation

Member Barbara Holloway announced her resignation from the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board to take a position in the Auckland Council City Transformation team.

Resolution number CEN/2015/95

MOVED by Member N Murphy, seconded by Member V Beck:

That the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board:

- a) **thank Member Barbara Holloway for her contribution the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board for 11 years, and wish her all the best in her new role.**

CARRIED

4.58 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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AT A MEETING OF THE AUCKLAND CITY CENTRE
ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON

DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....