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JOINT STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE	THURSDAY 08 JULY 2021	1:00PM

Minutes of a meeting of the Manawatū District / Palmerston North City Joint Strategic Planning Committee held on Thursday 08 July 2021, commencing at 1:00pm in the Manawatū District Council Chambers, 135 Manchester Street, Feilding.

PRESENT: Mayor Grant Smith (Chairperson)
 Cr Susan Baty (Palmerston North City Council)
 Cr Zulfiqar Butt (Palmerston North City Council)
 Cr Leonie Hapeta (Palmerston North City Council) (via Zoom)
 Cr Aleisha Rutherford (Palmerston North City Council)

Cr Steve Bielski (Manawatū District Council)
 Cr Michael Ford (Manawatū District Council)
 Cr Grant Hadfield (Manawatū District Council)
 Cr Phil Marsh (Manawatū District Council)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Mayor Helen Worboys

IN ATTENDANCE: David Wright (CEDA) (via Zoom)
 Malcolm Bailey (CEDA)
 Jacqui Middleton (CEDA)

Cr Alison Short (Manawatū District Council)

Cr Vaughan Dennison (Palmerston North City Council)
 Cr Renee Dingwall (Palmerston North City Council)
 Cr Patrick Handcock (Palmerston North City Council)
 Cr Karen Naylor (Palmerston North City Council) (via Zoom)
 Cr Bruno Petrenas (Palmerston North City Council)

Shayne Harris (Chief Executive)
 Michael Hawker (Acting General Manager – Community and Strategy)

Stacey Bell (Economist)
 Matthew Mackay (Principal Policy Planner)
 Allie Dunn (Governance Team Leader)
 Steph Skinner (Governance Officer)

Heather Shotter (Chief Executive)
 Sheryl Bryant (Assistant Chief Executive)
 David Murphy (Chief Planning Officer)
 Peter Crawford (Economic Policy Advisor)
 Robert van Bentum (Acting Chief Engineer)
 Chris Dyhrberg (Chief Customer Officer)

JSP 21/105 MEETING OPENING

The Chairperson declared the meeting open.

JSP 21/106 APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were noted for Councillor Billy Meehan (Palmerston North City Council).

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JSP 21/107 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee meeting held 25 March 2021 and the extraordinary meeting held 8 April 2021 be adopted as a true and correct record.

Moved by: Mayor Grant Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Michael Ford

CARRIED

Councillors Grant Hadfield and Aleisha Rutherford abstained from voting.

JSP 21/108 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

JSP 21/109 NOTIFICATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

JSP 21/110 PUBLIC FORUM

There were no requests to speak in public forum at this meeting.

JSP 21/111 PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations organised for this meeting.

JSP 21/112 QUARTERLY ECONOMIC MONITORING

Report of the Acting Chief Planning Officer dated 21 May 2021 providing a summary of the latest Manawatū Quarterly Economic Monitor for the March 2021 quarter.

Stacey Bell, Economist (MDC), and Peter Crawford, Economic Policy Advisor (PNCC) gave a presentation that outlined economic performance for the quarter noting in summary that:

- Primary sector outlook remained strong and continued to drive investment and spending;
- Construction workforce for Te Ahu A Turanga road peaks in September; and
- Labour and supply side constraints were delaying construction projects.

A summary of key findings were:

- The regional economy continues to outperform relative to much of New Zealand;
- Growth in filled jobs and earnings exceed national growth;
- Quarterly GDP contracted less and bounced back quicker than national GDP;
- Growth in the number of Jobseekers less than the New Zealand average with recipients declining faster;
- Strong recovery and growth in consumer spending relative to New Zealand;
- New dwelling consents remain elevated across the wider region;

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- Building consent values signal unprecedented levels of construction investment flowing into the region;
- Inward investment will continue to support regional economic activity;
- Commodity prices for local exports hit records. Supply side constraints and emerging inflationary pressures evident.

RESOLVED

That the Summary report on the March 2021 Manawatū Quarterly Economic Monitor be received.

Moved by: Mayor Grant Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Aleisha Rutherford

CARRIED

JSP 21/113 CEDA STATEMENT OF INTENT 2021-22

Report of the Acting General Manager – Community and Strategy dated 28 June 2021 presenting the CEDA Final Statement of Intent 2021-22 for agreement. Malcolm Bailey, Board Chairperson, David Wright, Acting Chief Executive (via Zoom) and Jacqui Middleton, Finance and Operations Manager, attended the meeting and spoke to the Statement of Intent. Suggestions for change were made to change “Te Aho Tāmaka Programme” to “Te Aho Tāmaka Leaders Programme”, to correct the total income amount noted in the Financial Performance statement and to use the names of the Kawakawa Industrial Park and Riverside Industrial Park in the section relating to investment profile of the region.

RESOLVED

That the CEDA Final Statement of Intent 2021-22 be agreed.

Moved by: Mayor Grant Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Michael Ford

CARRIED

JSP 21/114 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items notified for consideration.

JSP 21/115 NOTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

There were no items notified for including in the agenda for the next meeting.

JSP 21/116 PUBLIC EXCLUDED BUSINESS

RESOLVED

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- Confirmation of minutes**

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That the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
a) Confirmation of minutes re Appointment of Directors - CEDA	Section 7(2)(a) Protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.	Section 48(1)(a) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings would be likely to result in a disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding that information would exist, under Section 7 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of the Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as specified above.

Moved by: Mayor Grant Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Michael Ford

CARRIED

The meeting went into public excluded session at 1:49pm. For items JSP 21/117 to JSP 21/120 refer to public excluded proceedings. The meeting returned to open session at 1:57pm.

JSP 21/121 PUBLIC EXCLUDED RESOLUTIONS CONFIRMED IN OPEN SESSION

JSP 21/097 APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS - CEDA

RESOLVED

That the Joint Strategic Planning Committee approves the following:

1. Appoint Arthur Chin, as a Director of Central Economic Development Agency Limited for a term commencing on 1 April 2021 and ending on 31 March 2024.
2. Appoint Margy Mare, as a Director of Central Economic Development Agency Limited for a term commencing on 1 April 2021 and ending on 31 March 2024.

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JSP 21/122 MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 1:58pm.