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Public Excluded

Minutes 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

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.

Report PE 00.767

File T/11/2/3

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