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## **TRAFINZ CONFERENCE, WELLINGTON 7-10 AUGUST 2005**

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### **1. Purpose of Report**

To provide information on the TRAFINZ annual conference to be held in Wellington, 7-10 August 2005 and to seek approval for councillor attendance at the conference.

### **2. Recommendations**

It is recommended that Strategy and Policy Committee:

- 1. Receive the information.*
- 2. Approve the attendance of three councillors at the TRAFINZ conference to be held in Wellington, 7-10 August 2005, and that the costs associated with attending the conference be met from the Elected Members Budget (GVEMO1).*
- 3. Note that a reserve day for the Strategy and Policy Committee is scheduled for Tuesday 9 August 2005 and a briefing for the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting is on Wednesday 10 August 2005.*
- 4. Note that a report back on the Conference will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee in accordance with Council policy.*

### **3. Discussion**

The theme is “Creating a Community Driven Safety Culture” with the following subtopics being encompassed at the conference:

- Environmental Sustainability
- Economic Development
- Safety and Personal Security
- Access and Mobility
- Public Health

The keynote speakers include Tony Bliss, Senior Road Safety Specialist of the World Bank’s Transport and Urban Development Department, Ian Johnston, Professor at Monash University Melbourne, Assistant Commissioner Bob Hastings, Victoria Police and Assistant Commissioner of Police, New South Wales (to be confirmed). The conference will also be hearing from a variety of New Zealand speakers including Government Ministers, CEOs of the major transport stakeholders, medical and safety research professionals, local road safety engineers and co-ordinators, major vehicle manufacturers and transport spokespeople from the opposition political parties.

The attached information is copied from the Conference Registration Pack and provides background information and details of speakers and topics.

### 3.1 Considerations

When deciding whether elected members should attend this conference, consideration should be given to:

- the cost; and
- the impact of attendance on the budget; and
- the other conferences elected members may wish to attend later in the financial year.

The total cost if three elected members are appointed is expected to be \$2070.00 and will be met from the elected members' conference budget.

The impact on the budget of three elected members attending this conference is outlined in Table One.

Table One

	2004/2005 Budget	Year to Date Expenditure	Unexpended Funds
Total budget for conference fees, accommodation and travel	<b>\$34,000</b>	<sup>1</sup> \$19,369	\$14,631
Impact of sending <b>three</b> elected member to the conference	\$2070.00	\$21,439	\$12,561

The cost of attendance is broken down as follows (per person):

Item	Cost
Registration	\$ 690.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 690.00</b>

## 4. Conclusion

A decision is required as to which elected members should attend the TRAFINZ Conference to be held in Wellington from 7-10 August 2005.

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<sup>1</sup>The attendance of 4 Councillors at the Local Government New Zealand Planning conference at a cost of \$7980.00  
 The attendance of 1 Councillor at the New Zealand Planning Institute conference at a cost of \$1505.00  
 The attendance of 1 Councillor and 4 Community Board members at the Community Board conference at a cost of \$7180.00  
 The attendance of 1 Councillor at the Regional Development conference at a cost of \$1060.00  
 The attendance of 1 Councillor at the Sister Cities New Zealand Conference at a cost of \$1644.00

## **Appendix One**