BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND of appeals under clause 14(1) of the First

Schedule of the Act

BETWEEN WOOLWORTHS NEW ZEALAND LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-255)

UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

(ENV-2018-CHC-270)

Appellants

AND DUNEDIN CITY COUNCIL

Respondent

MINUTE OF THE ENVIRONMENT COURT (29 June 2020)

Introduction

- [1] This Minute is released for the purpose of case management.
- [2] I have considered the memorandum of counsel dated 11 June 2020 filed in relation to the Woolworths appeal. The memorandum discusses the Woolworths consent memorandum and potential inter-relationship to an appeal filed by the University of Otago on the topic of commercial activities in the campus zone.
- [3] The University of Otago appeal has yet to be scheduled for court facilitated mediation. Evidently, the City Council is hoping to progress this appeal over the next few weeks. If the University of Otago appeal is settled, it is the court's expectation that a single consent memorandum be filed dealing with all related topics and issues under appeal. (Note: appeals are related if, amongst other matters, they are dealing with different clauses of the same provision).

Directions

- [4] Subject to the City Council confirmation by **Friday 3 July 2020** that there are no other appeals in the mix, I <u>direct</u>:1
 - (a) unless a comprehensive consent memorandum is filed by Friday 17 July 2020, the two appeals will be set down for a telephone conference on Friday 24 July 2020 at 10.00am for the purpose of scheduling one or more appeals to mediation or a hearing (as the case may be); and
 - (b) **three working days** prior to the conference, the City Council will file a memorandum identifying the topics and issues for determination.
- [5] If the City Council does confirm that there are other related appeals, further directions will issue.
- [6] Finally, I <u>direct</u> the Registry to send a copy of the City Council memorandum to the parties to the University of Otago appeal for their information.

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Environment Judge

Issued: 29 June 2020

¹ The court is unclear from the Appeal Management Topic Grouping whether the Otago University topic is being grouped under the Commercial or Campus Section of the plan.