

Subject **ELECTION OF MAYOR, DEPUTY MAYOR AND DELEGATES TO COMMITTEES FOLLOWING GENERAL ELECTION**

Description: This document describes Council's policy toward election of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Delegates to Committees following the Declaration of the Poll. All Councillors, except the Mayor, cease to hold office on the date of a general election. New Councillors take office when the Poll is declared. The incumbent Mayor continues to hold that office, whether or not he or she is elected to the new Council, until such time as an election is held for the new Mayor. Further, there is no Deputy Mayor until that election is held.

Objective: To avoid any concern or misunderstandings regarding the timing of the Mayoral election and those associated with the election of Councillors to Committees

PART 1 – POLICY

Following Declaration of the Poll by the Returning Officer for the Ordinary Local Government Election, the General Manager will immediately issue a notice of an extraordinary meeting, providing three working days notice. The purpose of the extraordinary meeting will be to hold the election of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and positions on Committees. The meeting is to be held on the first working day after that period of notice.

PART 2 – EXEMPTIONS

Nil

PART 3 – CRITERIA

Nil

PART 4 – OTHER MATTERS

Nil

Review: This policy is to be reviewed as necessary or every four (4) years in accordance with Section 165, Local Government Act, 1993.

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