

8.1 APPOINTMENT OF THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (WALGA) - CENTRAL METROPOLITAN ZONE - COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council **APPOINTS** the following Elected Member to represent the City of Vincent on the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) – Central Metropolitan Zone and as voting delegates/proxy delegates for WALGA Annual General Meetings for the term 22 June 2022 to the next ordinary local government election, being 21 October 2023:

Members/Voting Delegate:

1.;

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To appoint an alternative representative for the City on the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) – Central Metropolitan Zone (Zone) and as voting delegate and proxy delegates for the WALGA Annual General Meetings, due to the resignation of one of the current representatives, Cr Ross Ioppolo.

BACKGROUND:

At the Special Council Meeting on 19 October 2021 Cr Ross Ioppolo and Cr Ashley Wallace were appointed as the City's representatives for the Zone. On 3 June 2022 Cr Ross Ioppolo tendered his resignation from this position, so an alternative representative is required.

Part of the Council's role is to represent the City on the Zone. The role of the City's delegates is to ensure the City's strategic position and policies are reflected at the Zone meetings, and report back to Council on decisions made by the Zone.

Zones have an integral role in shaping the political and strategic direction of WALGA. Not only are Zones responsible for bringing relevant local and regional issues to the State decision making table, they are a key player in developing policy and legislative initiatives for Local Government. WALGA's Constitution outlines that the functions of Zones are to:

- Elect one or more State Councillors;
- Consider the State Council agenda;
- Provide direction and feedback to their State Councillor; and
- Any other function deemed appropriate by the Zone.

Additional activities undertaken by Zones include:

- Developing and advocating on positions on regional issues affecting Local Government;
- Progressing regional Local Government initiatives;
- Identifying relevant issues for action by WALGA;
- Networking and information sharing; and
- Contributing to policy development through policy forums and other channels.

Zones provide input into the State Council's advocacy agenda by passing resolutions on items contained in the State Council agenda and by generating new agenda items for consideration by State Council.

To represent the City at WALGA's Annual General Meeting in August each year the City of Vincent is to nominate two voting delegates. It is recommended that the Zone delegates be appointed as the voting delegates accordingly.

DETAILS:

The Central Metropolitan WALGA Zone comprises Perth, Vincent, Subiaco, Nedlands, Cambridge, Claremont, Cottesloe, Peppermint Grove and Mosman Park.

Key details are listed below.

Location of Meetings:	Local Governments in the Central Metropolitan Zone on a rotation basis
Time of Meetings:	6:00pm
Meeting Occurrence:	Bi-monthly (or six weekly)
Day of Meetings:	Thursday
No. of Meetings still to be held in in 2022:	5 meetings
Responsible Liaison Officer:	Chief Executive Officer
Purpose of Appointment:	To represent the City on the Western Australian Local Government Association – Central Metropolitan Zone
Other Membership:	Representatives from Central Metropolitan Zone Councils Chief Executive Officer (non-voting)
Previous Council Members	Members: Cr Ioppolo and Cr Wallace
Member Sitting Fees:	Nil.

CONSULTATION/ADVERTISING:

Nil.

LEGAL/POLICY:

WALGA's constitution outlines the role of the Zones and state Council.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS:

Low: Appointing delegates to the Zone allows the City of Vincent to participate in decision making at the regional and state level.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

This is in keeping with the City's *Strategic Community Plan 2018-2028*:

Innovative and Accountable

We are open and accountable to an engaged community.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS:

This does not contribute to any environmental sustainability outcomes. This action/activity is environmentally neutral.

PUBLIC HEALTH IMPLICATIONS:

This does not contribute to any public health outcomes in the *City's Public Health Plan 2020-2025*.

FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

There are no budget implications for the City in respect to appointing members to the Zone.