

Western Australia

Agenda for the Bridge Opening Committee Meeting To be held in the Council Chambers On 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016, commencing at 8:00am

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## 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The CEO declared the meeting open at

Christopher Paterson of Palassis Architects will be giving a presentation on the Ballinyoo Bridge Historical Interpretation

## 2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

## 3. ELECTION OF PRESIDING MEMBER

File: 4.1

Author: Dianne Daniels – Chief Executive Officer

Interest Declared: No interest to disclose Date: 8<sup>TH</sup> March 2016

Attachments: N/A

#### **Matter for Consideration:**

A Presiding Member is to be elected from within the Committee for a two year term of office expiring in October 2017, or sooner if the Committee is disbanded.

### Background:

The Local Government Act prescribes that a Committee is to elect a Presiding member as the first matter dealt with at the first meeting of Council after an ordinary elections day.

#### Comment:

Nominations are to be lodged in writing to the CEO, indicating consent of the nominee, prior to or at the Meeting (Nomination form attached).

Councillors will cast their vote by secret ballot, votes will be counted and the CEO will declare the results. If there is equality of votes between 2 or more candidates, then the meeting is to be adjourned for not more than seven days. Nominations may be withdrawn or further nominations may be made before or when the meeting resumes. If the second round of voting results in a tie, then the CEO is to draw lots in accordance with regulations to determine which candidate is elected.

## **Statutory Environment:**

## LGA s. 5.11. Committee membership, tenure of

- (1) Where a person is appointed as a member of a committee under section 5.10(4) or (5), the person's membership of the committee continues until
  - (a) the person no longer holds the office by virtue of which the person became a member, or is no longer the CEO, or the CEO's representative, as the case may be; or
  - (b) the person resigns from membership of the committee; or
  - (c) the committee is disbanded; or
  - (d) the next ordinary elections day, whichever happens first.

## LGA s. 5.12. Presiding members and deputies, election of

- (1) The members of a committee are to elect a presiding member from amongst themselves in accordance with Schedule 2.3, Division 1 as if the references in that Schedule
  - (a) to "office" were references to "office of presiding member"; and
  - (b) to "council" were references to "committee"; and
  - (c) to "councillors" were references to "committee members".
- (2) The members of a committee may elect a deputy presiding member from amongst themselves but any such election is to be in accordance with Schedule 2.3, Division 2 as if the references in that Schedule
  - (a) to "office" were references to "office of deputy presiding member"; and
  - (b) to "council" were references to "committee"; and
  - (c) to "councillors" were references to "committee members"; and
  - (d) to "mayor or president" were references to "presiding member".

#### LGA Schedule 2.3 Division 1

#### 1.Terms used In this Division

— office means the office of councillor mayor or president.

### 2. When council elects mayor or president

- (1) The office is to be filled as the first matter dealt with —
- (a) at the first meeting of the council after an inaugural election or a section 4.13 or 4.14 election or after an ordinary elections day; and

### 3. CEO to preside

The CEO is to preside at the meeting until the office is filled.

### 4. How mayor or president is elected

- (1) The council is to elect a councillor to fill the office.
- (2) The election is to be conducted by the CEO in accordance with the procedure prescribed.
- (3) Nominations for the office are to be given to the CEO in writing before the meeting or during the meeting before the close of nominations.
- (3a) Nominations close at the meeting at a time announced by the CEO, which is to be a sufficient time after the announcement by the CEO that nominations are about to close to allow for any nominations made to be dealt with
- (4) If a councillor is nominated by another councillor the CEO is not to accept the nomination unless the nominee has advised the CEO, orally or in writing, that he or she is willing to be nominated for the office.
- (5) The councillors are to vote on the matter by secret ballot as if they were electors voting at an election.
- (6) Subject to clause 5(1), the votes cast under subclause (5) are to be counted, and the successful candidate determined, in accordance with Schedule 4.1 (which deals with determining the result of an election) as if those votes were votes cast at an election.
- (7) As soon as is practicable after the result of the election is known, the CEO is to declare and give notice of the result in accordance with regulations, if any.

## 5. Votes may be cast a second time

- (1) If when the votes cast under clause 4(5) are counted there is an equality of votes between 2 or more candidates who are the only candidates in, or remaining in, the count, the count is to be discontinued and the meeting is to be adjourned for not more than 7 days.
- (2) Any nomination for the office may be withdrawn, and further nominations may be made, before or when the meeting resumes.
- (3) When the meeting resumes the councillors are to vote again on the matter by secret ballot as if they were electors voting at an election.
- (4) The votes cast under subclause (3) are to be counted, and the successful candidate determined, in accordance with Schedule 4.1 as if those votes were votes cast at an election.

## Schedule 4.1 — How to count votes and ascertain the result of an election [s. 4.74]

- 1. The number of votes given for each candidate is to be ascertained.
- 2. If the election is to fill the office of mayor or president, the candidate who receives the greater or greatest number of votes is elected.
- 3. If the election is to fill one office of councillor, the candidate who receives the greater or greatest number of votes is elected.
- 4. If the election is to fill 2 or more offices of councillor, the candidates elected are —
- (a) the candidate who receives the greatest number of votes; and
- (b) the candidate who receives the next highest number of votes; and
- (c) the candidate who receives the next highest number of votes, and
- so on up to the number of offices to be filled.
- 5. If 2 or more candidates receive the same number of votes so that clause 2, 3 or 4 cannot be applied, the returning officer is to draw lots in accordance with regulations to determine which candidate is elected.

### **Nominations Received:**

### Result of Election:

## 4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBER

File: 4.1

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Interest Declared: No interest to disclose Date: 8<sup>TH</sup> March 2016

Attachments: N/A

### **Matter for Consideration:**

The Committee is to consider whether it wants to elect a Deputy Presiding Member and if so, undertake the election according to LGA Schedule 2.3, Division 2

### **Background:**

The members of a committee may elect a deputy presiding member from amongst themselves but any such election is to be in accordance with LGA Schedule 2.3, Division 2

### Comment:

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#### **Nominations Received:**

## **Result of Election:**

Council Decision:
Moved: Councillor

## 5. STANDING ORDERS

That the following Local Law-Standing Orders 2001 be stood down:						
	2 Limitation on the number of speeches 3 Duration of speeches					
Carried	I	For:	Against:			
6.	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES					
N/A						
7.	DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS					
8.	PRESENTATIONS					

Seconded: Councillor

9.	<b>BRIDGE OPENING</b>	COMMITTEE	RUSINESS
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- 10. NEXT MEETINGS
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