

Item 4: Office of the General Manager

4.1 Delegations of the Mayor

REPORT BY THE GOVERNANCE COORDINATOR
TO 12 JANUARY 2022 EXTRAORDINARY MEETING
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RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. receive the report by the Governance Coordinator on the Delegations of the Mayor;
2. pursuant to the provisions of Section 377 of the Local Government Act, 1993, delegate to the mayor authority:
 - a. to monitor the General Manager in the exercise of the General Manager's power, duties and functions;
 - b. to authorise expenditure on works approved in the Operational Plan for an amount up to \$20,000;
 - c. to authorise work, not approved in the Operational Plan, which in the Mayor's opinion is urgent, at a cost not exceeding \$20,000 except in the case of Bush Fire Emergency where the limit is \$50,000;
 - d. to approve the attendance of any Councillor at meetings or functions between Council meetings that the Mayor would normally attend on behalf of Council;
 - e. to approve professional development activities, including conference attendance, within the budget limits of the Professional Development Program;
 - f. to affix and witness the Common Seal of Council, in response to a resolution of Council, to any necessary documents in conjunction with the General Manager or another Councillor; and
3. note the Role of Mayor in accordance with section 226 of the Local Government Act attached.

Executive summary

To determine the Mayor's delegations for the period commencing January 2022 to January 2024 and note the role of the Mayor in accordance with section 226 of the Act.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

Sections 226 (o) and 377 of the Act enables to Council to delegate its functions to the Mayor.

This report provides some context for the role of the Mayor in the Mid-Western Regional Council community. Specifically, it is derived from Section 226 of the Local Government Act, 1993 that relates to the role of the Mayor.

Community Plan implications

Theme	Good Governance
Goal	Strong civic leadership
Strategy	Provide accountable and transparent decision making for the community

Financial implications

Not applicable

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16 December 2021

Attachments: 1. Role of Mayor s226 Local Government Act.

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

BRAD CAM
GENERAL MANAGER



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 - SECT 226

Role of mayor

226 Role of mayor

The role of the mayor is as follows--

- (a) to be the leader of the council and a leader in the local community,
- (b) to advance community cohesion and promote civic awareness,
- (c) to be the principal member and spokesperson of the governing body, including representing the views of the council as to its local priorities,
- (d) to exercise, in cases of necessity, the policy-making functions of the governing body of the council between meetings of the council,
- (e) to preside at meetings of the council,
- (f) to ensure that meetings of the council are conducted efficiently, effectively and in accordance with this Act,
- (g) to ensure the timely development and adoption of the strategic plans, programs and policies of the council,
- (h) to promote the effective and consistent implementation of the strategic plans, programs and policies of the council,
- (i) to promote partnerships between the council and key stakeholders,
- (j) to advise, consult with and provide strategic direction to the general manager in relation to the implementation of the strategic plans and policies of the council,
- (k) in conjunction with the general manager, to ensure adequate opportunities and mechanisms for engagement between the council and the local community,
- (l) to carry out the civic and ceremonial functions of the mayoral office,
- (m) to represent the council on regional organisations and at inter-governmental forums at regional, State and Commonwealth level,
- (n) in consultation with the councillors, to lead performance appraisals of the general manager,
- (o) to exercise any other functions of the council that the council determines.