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THE SPEAKER COUNCIL ITEM

ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE MAYOR

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to elect the Deputy Executive Mayor for the Mangaung Council In terms of Section 66 of the local Government Municipal Structures Act, (Act 117 of 1998)

BACKGROUND

The Mangaung Metro is a Category A Municipality with a Mayoral Executive System as contemplated in Sections 7 and 9 of the Municipality Structures Act.

The Mayoral Executive System allows follows for the exercise of the executive authority through an Executive Mayor in whom the executive leadership of the municipality is vested and who is assisted by a Mayoral committee.

DELIBERATIONS

The procedure to be followed during the election of a Deputy Executive Mayor is prescribed in the Schedule 3 of the Municipal Structure Act.

The Executive Deputy Mayor's role is twofold.

- when acting in the stead of the Executive Mayor the role is identical to that of the Executive Mayor;
- when not acting in the stead of the Executive Mayor the role is definite in relation to the extent of powers delegated to the office or as a member of the Mayoral committee.

The Executive Deputy Mayor does not have any statutory powers.

The Executive Deputy also performs an important role as member of the Mayoral committee, namely:

- the Executive Mayor may delegate specific responsibilities to the Executive Deputy Mayor;
- the Executive Mayor may delegate any of his/her powers to the Executive Deputy Mayor and

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AT THE HEART OF IT ALL

 the Executive Deputy Mayor must, as member of the Mayoral committee, together with the other members of the committee, assist the Executive Mayor in the exercise or performance of his/ her powers and functions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Mangaung Metro is classified as a Category A Municipality and the municipal council of the metro is classified as Grade 6 as set out in Government Notice No. 43246 of April 24, 2020.

The existing administrative resources and infrastructure which supported the previous Deputy Executive Mayor are still available and may be utilised without any additional financial burden on the Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) That Council take note of the report and
- b) That the Mangaung Metro elect one councillor to serve as the Deputy Executive Mayor on a full-time basis.

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