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**THE SPEAKER
COUNCIL ITEM**

ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to elect the Deputy Executive Mayor of 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 for the exercise for 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 Mayor is the political leader of the Mangaung Metro and his/her area of responsibility will not be limited to the municipality itself but will extend to involvement in cooperative governance including the participation in provincial structures and organizations such as SALGA.

The Executive Mayor will be required to promote and protect the constitutional status, the powers and functions of the municipality as well as the principles of co-operative governance and intergovernmental relations.

The Municipal Council is to delegate appropriate powers to the Executive Mayor and important power will also be conferred by legislation such as the Constitution, Structures Act, the Systems Act and the MFMA. The Executive Mayor is accountable to the Municipal Council and must report to Council on the exercise, performance and discharge of powers, functions and duties of office. The Executive Mayor must report to the Municipal Council on all decisions taken by him/her.

The duty does not only relate to the Executive Mayor statutory powers, but also his/her delegated powers. The Municipal Council must determine the format of reports, as well as the frequency of reporting.

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 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 Executive Mayor on a full-time basis.



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