

Strategic Alignment - Enabling Priorities

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Local Government Association of South Australia (LGA) has called for nominations for one local government representative position on the Premier's Climate Change Council (PCCC).

Council may put forward a maximum of two nominations of consideration by the LGA.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT COUNCIL

1. Authorises the nomination of two Council Members or staff members to represent the Local Government Association on the Premier's Climate Council.
 2. Approves the nomination of Cr Dr Siebentritt as the City of Adelaide's nominee to the LGA to represent it on the Premier's Climate Council.
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IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIALS

City of Adelaide 2020-2024 Strategic Plan	Strategic Alignment – Enabling Priorities This report supports the Strategic Plan action of building on effective advocacy and partnerships locally, nationally and globally.
Policy	Not as a result of this report
Consultation	Expressions of interest were sought from Council Members via an E-news on 5 January 2023 Councillor Siebentritt has expressed an interest in being nominated for the position. No other nominees have been received
Resource	For participating members, preparation for and attendance at five meetings per year.
Risk / Legal / Legislative	As remuneration is payable for the position, nominated Council Members are advised to declare a material conflict of interest and are recommended to leave the Council Chamber while the matter is being discussed and voted on. Nominations are still subject to the LGA appointment recommendation for Ministerial appointment A material conflict of interest may arise for a Council Member who is also a PCCC member if a matter were to be discussed at a meeting of the Council where the PCCC would gain a benefit, or suffer a loss, depending on the outcome of the consideration of the matter at the meeting. In that case, the Council Member must inform the Council meeting and leave the room while the matter is being discussed and voted on
Opportunities	Appointments to outside bodies provide an opportunity for Council Members to contribute to discussion and decision making on a broad range of matters relevant to the City of Adelaide.
22/23 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report
Proposed 23/24 Budget Allocation	Not as a result of this report
Life of Project, Service, Initiative or (Expectancy of) Asset	Appointments to the Premier's Climate Change Council are for a period of three years. In accordance with Standing Order 154, should a nominated Council member be appointed to the Premier's Climate Change Council, they are required to resign from the position within one month of ceasing to be a Council Member.
22/23 Budget Reconsideration (if applicable)	Not as a result of this report
Ongoing Costs (eg maintenance cost)	Not as a result of this report
Other Funding Sources	Not as a result of this report

DISCUSSION

1. The Local Government Association of South Australia (LGA) is seeking nominations for one local government representative for the Premier's Climate Change Council (PCCC).
2. The PCCC is established under Sections 9(2)(b) and 9(4) of the Climate Change and Greenhouse emissions Reduction Act 2007.
3. The PCCC currently includes representatives from State Government, business, environment and conservation, the scientific community, and local government.
4. The PCCC's primary function is to:
 - provide independent advice to the Minister for Environment and Water on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to climate change including achieving energy efficiencies, increasing the use of renewable energy, developing methods to remove greenhouse gases from the atmosphere, and establishing and achieving relevant targets.
5. Nominations for the position must be current Council Members or staff members.
6. Expressions of interest were sought from Council Members via an E-news on 5 January 2023.
7. Council may put forward a maximum of two nominations for consideration by the LGA.
8. Nominations will need to address the following selection criteria:
 - 8.1. Local government knowledge and experience
 - 8.2. Can demonstrate a commitment to action to address climate change
 - 8.3. Can demonstrate an understanding of the issues and impacts associated with climate change
9. A statement about the nominee's interest and experience in climate change must be provided.
10. The appointment is for a period of three years.
11. Councillor Siebentritt is the only Council Member who has expressed an interest in being nominated to the PCCC.
12. Sitting fees of up to \$12,383 p.a. are payable.
13. Five meetings are held each year. The proposed meeting dates for the rest of the year are:
 - 13.1. Tuesday 11 July 2023, 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 - 13.2. Tuesday 19 September 2023, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
 - 13.3. Tuesday 5 December 2023, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.
14. Nominations must be forwarded to the LGA by 5:00 pm Friday, 10 February 2023.
15. The LGA will provide a shortlist of three nominees to the Minister, who will select the appointee from this list.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

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