# Special Council Meeting Notice of Meeting TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2018 3.30pm

Council Chamber Level 9

Council House
27 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA
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# **Agenda**

The purpose of this meeting is to consider matters related to the Appointment of New Acting Chief Executive Officer.

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13<sup>th</sup> November 2018

This meeting is open to members of the public

## INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC ATTENDING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Welcome to this evening's Council meeting. This information is provided on matters which may affect members of the public. If you have any queries on procedural matters please contact a member of the City's staff in attendance tonight.

# **Question Time for the Public**

- An opportunity is available at Council meetings for members of the public to ask a question about any
  issue relating to the City. This time is available only for asking questions and not for making statements.
  Complex questions requiring research should be submitted as early as possible in order to allow the
  City sufficient time to prepare a response.
- The Presiding Person may nominate a Member or officer to answer the question and may also determine that any complex question requiring research be answered in writing. No debate or discussion is allowed to take place on any question or answer.
- To ask a question please write it on the white Question Sheet provided at the entrance to the Council Chamber and hand it to a staff member before the meeting begins. Alternatively questions can be forwarded to the City of Perth prior to 3.00pm on the day of the meeting, by:-
  - Letter: Addressed to GPO Box C120, Perth, 6839;
  - Email: governance@cityofperth.wa.gov.au.
- Question Sheets are also available on the City's web site: www.perth.wa.gov.au.

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Council House, 27 St Georges Terrace, Perth



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# **BUILDING ALARMS**

Alert Alarm and Evacuation Alarm.

## ALERT ALARM

# beep beep beep

All Wardens to respond.

Other staff and visitors should remain where they are.

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On hearing the Evacuation Alarm or on being instructed to evacuate:

- 1. Move to the floor assembly area as directed by your Warden.
- 2. People with impaired mobility (those who cannot use the stairs unaided) should report to the Floor Warden who will arrange for their safe evacuation.
- When instructed to evacuate leave by the emergency exits. Do not use the lifts. 3.
- 4. Remain calm. Move quietly and calmly to the assembly area in Stirling Gardens as shown on the map below. Visitors must remain in the company of City of Perth staff members always.
- 5. After hours, evacuate by the nearest emergency exit. Do not use the lifts.

#### **EVACUATION ASSEMBLY AREA**





## Recommendation:

To appoint a new Acting Chief Executive Officer from 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to 1<sup>st</sup> August 2019 (subject to extension if necessary)

- 1. The City appoints Mr M. Jorgensen to the position of Acting CEO commencing on the 19 November 2018 for a term of 9 months.
- 2. The appointment is subject to a contract of employment for the position of Acting CEO (infill) utilising the Local Government Professionals Western Australian/ WALGA Employment Contract (April 2016) and the relevant conditions being entered into by both parties.

# Report:

Commissioners have examined the available potential candidates for the position of acting CEO and had determined that the most desirable appointment would be an external person due to the current work commitments upon the existing Directors who could perform the role, and that it is considered that the Acting CEO would need to occupy the position for at least 6-9 months having regard to the current inquiry process being conducted by the State Government.

Having carefully considered a range of candidates, the Commissioners carried out an interview process with the successful potential candidate who had both extensive local government and private sector experience. The Commissioners were not only examining the candidate's experience, but also the candidate's knowledge of the cultural issues facing the City, the ability to lead the staff effectively, and have a commitment to work effectively with all the Commissioners in a 'Team Perth' approach.

In addition, the Commissioners were looking for a person who displayed an ability to provide strong leadership; who understood the need for an integrated strategic approach to the Cities current future operational issues and opportunities associated with the objectives of the City of Perth Act (2016), and drive appropriate cultural change within the organisation where necessary.

The interviewed candidate was aware of the need to consult directly and effectively with the Cities primary stakeholders e.g. the State Government, Business groups and the community, especially the Cities residential community. The candidate also demonstrated outstanding "Emotional Intelligence" which was a key criteria of the Commissioners and who could provide a steadying influence for staff being subjected to the ongoing enquiry.

Following appropriate reference checks which confirmed the Commissioners analysis and answers by the interviewed candidate, all Commissioners were fully satisfied of the ability of the candidate to be appointed Acting CEO for an extended period.

The candidate apart from being CEO of two local governments with over 40 years' experience, has had outstanding experience in corporate governance, board/CEO, executive relationships, organisation performance, strategic planning, people management and the effective use of financial and human resources. His qualifications include appropriate local government and executive development, is a past member of the Australian Institute Company Directors, a Fellow of the Local Government Managers Association and a Justice of the Peace. The successful candidate has also been awarded an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) and the Centenary Medal for service to Local Government.

Private sector experience for over 10 years also compliments the candidate's significant local government experience and expertise.