

<b>12.8</b>	<b>Notice of Motion No 9/2008</b> <b>Amendments to Council Policy Gov-PI 226 Advisory and Management Committees of the Council – Appointment of Organisation and Community Members</b>
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**Motion**

That this Council resolves to amend this policy as follows:

- 1) Wherever the words “interested citizen” appears in this policy change to “community representative”.
- 2) That all clauses be marked in numerals and all subclauses be marked by letters.
- 3) Page 1 – Clause 1 – first point:

Delete: - To prescribe the process for the appointment of individuals to Council Committees, as either representing organizations or the general community, *where the composition of the Committee is established in the Committee Charter and Constitution.*

Replace with:

To prescribe the process for the appointment of individuals to Council Committees, as either representing organisations or the general community, where the compositions of the composition of the Committee is established by resolution of Council, the Committee’s Charter, Constitution or Terms of Reference resolved by Council.

- 4) Page 1 - Clause 1 – second point:

Delete: - To ensure representatives are objectively selected, either on a merit basis or by lot, thereby removing any claim of political patronage.

And replace with:

To ensure representatives are objectively selected, on a merit selection basis by Council.

- 5) Page 1 - Clause 2 – third dot point:

Delete: - The selection of individual members of the Committee is a function best administered independently of the elected Council, and in accordance with the Charter of the Committee. This approach avoids both the perception and reality of political interference in the appointment process. Committee representatives shall be entitled to be appointed without influence from political beliefs, philosophical reasons, affiliations or community standing. They are entitled to be considered for appointment because of their interest or involvement in the work of the Committee or because they have particular skills or professional training of benefit to the Committee's deliberations, recommendations and the exercise of any delegated authority.

And replace with: -

The selection of individual members of the Committee and organizational representatives shall be undertaken by the democratically elected Council and in consideration of the respective Committee’s Constitution, Charter, Terms of Reference or by resolution of

Council. Candidates should also be considered based on merit, on qualifications or relevant experience.

6) Page 2 – 3.1 – delete 1<sup>st</sup> dot point

Delete requirement that the organisation must be a registered Company or incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act to be entitled to representation on the Committee.

7) Page 2 – add additional dot point under first dot point in 3.2:

Council may appoint members of the community to a Committee, due to a particular involvement or skill, if it so resolves.

8) Page 2 – 3.2 – 1<sup>st</sup> dot point change so it now reads:

- Nominations may be publicly invited for appointment to a Committee or Council may resolve to appoint members of the community to a Committee with a specific task, Project or specific Terms of Reference.

9) Page 2 – 3.2 – second dot point

Delete existing and add – In situations where the number of nominations exceeds the number of individuals required for appointment, the Council shall determine the appointment by considering the candidates' merits based on qualifications or equivalent experience. Council may delegate this function to Council Officers or an independent panel.

10) Page 2 – 3.2 – third dot point

Delete - Where a representative is required to have some particular skill or professional training the General Manager shall arrange for an independent panel to:

- make a direct appointment based on merit or
- determine the representative by drawing of lots if there are suitable and complying nominations with equal merit

11) Page 3 – Delete Clause 3.4

3.4 Delegation of Authority

- By adoption of this Policy, the Council specifically and hereby delegates authority to the General Manager to exercise all functions, powers or actions required to implement this policy.

