# **ELECTION DETAILS FOR DEPUTY MAYOR**



### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATIONS

The Mayor, presiding as Chair, will explain the nominations and voting process and then call for nominations and confirm acceptance of nominations.

Section 90 of the Act requires that voting be carried out by a show of hands. With the exception of the voting method, the general provisions of Council's Local Law No 3. 2010 regarding the election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor and counting of votes will apply which include:

- That nominations may be made by any Councillor for any Councillor;
- Nominations may be submitted in writing prior to this meeting;
- Councillors can nominate themselves;
- Nominations do not require a seconder;
- Nominees will be asked to clearly indicate their acceptance of the nomination;
- Any candidate can withdraw their candidature at any time during the election;
- The Chair will call for final nominations and upon receiving no further nominations will declare nominations closed; and
- If the Chair receives only one nomination, they will advise that unless there are further nominations, nominations will be declared closed and the only candidate declared duly elected.

## **VERBAL PRESENTATION BY CANDIDATES**

Each candidate (if there is more than one) will be offered an opportunity to address the Mayor and other Councillors for up to 5 minutes in support of their candidature.

#### MAYOR TO CONDUCT THE ELECTION

If there is more than one candidate, the Mayor will conduct the election, which will be supervised by VEC Returning Officer, Sheryl Bruce.

The election will be conducted in accordance with Section 71, 89 and 90 of the Act and Council's Local Law No 3. 2010 Clauses 6 and 7. The process is conducted until a candidate receives an absolute majority of the votes, which if either eight or nine Councillors are present, is five (5) votes.



### **DECLARATION OF RESULT**

Once the Mayor determines an absolute majority of votes has been received by a single candidate, he will confirm the result with the VEC Returning Officer and declare the results. The results will be recorded in the minutes of the Special (Statutory) Meeting.

# ADDRESS BY NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR

The Mayor will then invite the newly elected Deputy Mayor to briefly address the Special (Statutory) Meeting if they desire, prior to proceeding to the next item.