

WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

FOR THE MEETING 29 OCTOBER 2025

Agenda Reference:	7.8
Title:	LGANT - Call for nominations - President and Municipal Board Directors
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SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek nominations for the LGANT Board of Directors position of President currently vacant.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT COUNCIL:

1. Accepts, receives and notes the late report titled *LGANT - Call for nominations - President and Municipal Board Directors*; and
2. Nominates Mayor James Woods as the President of the Local Government Association NT Board of Directors.

BACKGROUND

LGANT are calling for nominations for the following LGANT Board positions as per the motion made at the 10 October 2025 Special General LGANT Meeting:

- * President (1 position)
- * Board Director (2 positions – Municipal)

Mayor James Woods has submitted a nomination which requires Council's endorsement by a resolution.

LEGISLATION AND POLICY

Local Government Association NT Constitution

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This report is aligned to the following pillars and goals of the *Regional Plan and Budget*:

PILLAR 6 FOUNDATIONS OF GOVERNANCE

Integrity is at the heart of everything we do. We are leaders of best practice and excellence in governance, advocacy, consultation and administration. Our processes, procedures and policies are ethical and transparent.

Goal 6.3 Council and Local Authorities

Excellence in governance, consultation administration and representation.

ATTACHMENTS

1. LGANT Board Director nomination form [7.8.1 - 4 pages]
2. 2025-10-10 LGANT Board Director nomination information [7.8.2 - 3 pages]



LGANT Board Director nomination form

Nominating Council:	
Name of Elected Member nominee:	
Nominee Director ID No:	
Nominee position eg. Lord Mayor, Mayor/President, Deputy Mayor/President, or Councillor	
Nominee phone number:	
Nominee email address:	
Position (please indicate):	☐ President
	☐ Board Director – Municipal
Skills and Experience: (please provide brief details)	☐ Strategic Planning Details:
	☐ Risk Management Details:

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	☐ Financial Management Details:
	☐ Stakeholder Engagement Details:
	☐ Legal Governance Expertise Details:
	☐ Local Government Knowledge Details:
	☐ Leadership Experience Details:
	☐ Other (please specify) Details:

Board Director experience:	Position:
	Date:
	Organisation:
	Position:
	Date:
	Organisation:
	Position:
	Date:
	Organisation:
Tertiary qualifications (eg. certificates, diplomas, degrees, etc):	Qualification:
	Field of Study:
	Institution:
	Qualification:
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Declaration

- ☐ I confirm that I have read and understood the LGANT Constitution and Governance Charter.
- ☐ I am aware of the responsibilities of a Director under the *Corporations Act 2001* and am willing to fulfil these duties if elected.

- ☐ I confirm that I am eligible to serve as a Director under the *Corporations Act 2001* and am not disqualified from managing corporations.
- ☐ I have included a short biography (with a high-resolution digital photo) outlining my relevant skills, experience and qualifications as part of this application.

Elected member nominee full name:	
Nominee signature:	Date:
Council endorsement: I confirm that this nomination has been endorsed by a resolution of [Council Name].	
Council resolution number:	
Council resolution date:	
Council CEO name:	
Signature:	Date:

Completed nomination form and short biography on each nominee must be submitted to LGANT by CoB 31 October 2025 to: ceo@lgant.asn.au.

Privacy Statement

The personal information collected on this form is being gathered for the purposes of the LGANT Board nomination and election process. This information will be used to assess your eligibility and suitability for a Board position and may be shared with LGANT member councils as part of the election process.



LGANT Board Director nomination information

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Board of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT). This introduction provides you with important information about the responsibilities and expectations associated with this role. We encourage you to read it carefully before submitting your nomination.

About LGANT

LGANT is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001*. We represent the interests of our local government members across the Northern Territory.

Director Responsibilities

As a Director of LGANT, you will have significant legal and ethical responsibilities. These include:

- 1. Duty of Care and Diligence:** You must exercise your powers and duties with the care and diligence that a reasonable person would exercise in the same circumstances. This includes staying informed about the organisation's activities and financial position.
- 2. Duty to Act in Good Faith:** You must act in good faith in the best interests of LGANT and for a proper purpose. This means putting the interests of LGANT ahead of your own interests or those of any individual council.
- 3. Duty Not to Improperly Use Position or Information:** You must not use your position, or information obtained through your position, to gain an advantage for yourself or someone else, or to cause detriment to LGANT.
- 4. Duty to Disclose Material Personal Interests:** You must disclose any material personal interests in matters that relate to the affairs of LGANT.
- 5. Duty to Prevent Insolvent Trading:** You must prevent LGANT from incurring debts that it cannot pay.

The Board is responsible for the overall governance, management and strategic direction of the organisation (LGANT) and for delivering accountable corporate performance in accordance with the organisation's goals and objectives.

It's crucial to understand that as a Director, you will be representing LGANT as a whole, not your individual council. You will need to "take off your council hat" and make decisions in the best interests of LGANT and its entire membership.

Eligibility Under the Corporations Act 2001

It is important to note that certain individuals are disqualified from managing corporations under the *Corporations Act 2001*. This includes people who are undischarged bankrupt, have been convicted of certain offences, or are subject to a court order that disqualified them from managing corporations. If you are unsure about your eligibility, please review Section 206B of the *Corporations Act 2001*, or seek legal advice before submitting your nomination.



Important: Director Identification Number (Director ID) Requirement

All Directors in Australia, including LGANT, are required to have a Director ID. This is a unique identifier that you will keep forever. If you don't already have a Director ID, you must apply for one before you can be appointed as a Director of LGANT. This is a crucial step in the nomination process.

To apply for a Director ID or for more information, visit the Australian Business Registry Services website – www.abrs.gov.au. We strongly recommend that you start this process as soon as possible if you intend to nominate, as it may take some time to complete.

Skills and Experience

Effective governance requires a diverse range of skills and experiences on the Board. We encourage nominees to consider their unique contributions in areas such as:

- Strategic planning and policy development;
- Financial management and analysis;
- Risk management and compliance;
- Stakeholder engagement and communication;
- Legal and governance expertise;
- Industry knowledge (local government, public administration); and
- Leadership and change management.

While not all Directors need to be experts in all areas, a combination of these skills across the Board is vital for LGANT's success.

Commitment

Board membership requires a time commitment. In addition to regular Board meetings, you may be asked to serve on committees, attend events, and engage in ongoing professional development. Please consider your capacity to fully engage in these responsibilities before nominating.

Governance Framework

LGANT operates under a comprehensive governance framework, primarily defined by our [Constitution](#) and [Governance Charter](#). These documents outline our purpose, structure, and operational guidelines. We strongly recommend that you familiarise yourself with these documents before submitting your nomination.

Nomination Process

Nominations open 10 October 2025 and close 31 October 2025.

Please note that each nomination must be endorsed by a resolution at your Council meeting.

Only one elected member from each member council can be elected as a Director of the Board, and all others must be withdrawn from the election to any other positions, with the exception of City of Darwin which may have up to two positions on the Board (e.g. their nominated Director and an ordinary Director).

Please refer to LGANT's [Constitution](#) for more information of the nomination and voting process.

Annual General Meeting

The election will take place at our Annual General Meeting which is being held on 19 November 2025.



Nomination Form

The nomination form outlines the specific requirements for nomination. Please complete and lodge by 31 October 2025. You will be provided an opportunity to talk to your nomination at the Annual General Meeting.

If you have any questions about the nomination process or the responsibilities of a LGANT Board Director, please don't hesitate to contact our office.

We appreciate your interest in contributing to the important work of LGANT and look forward to receiving your nomination.