

	<b>POLICY TITLE:</b>	<b>CASTING VOTE OF CHAIR</b>
	<b>POLICY NUMBER:</b>	<b>P03</b>
	<b>CATEGORY:</b>	<b>COUNCIL POLICY</b>
	<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:</b>	<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER</b>

**1. PURPOSE:**

This policy establishes the use of a casting vote by the Chairperson of Council Meetings.

**2. SCOPE:**

This policy applies to the Chairperson of Council Meetings.

**3. DEFINITIONS:**

Casting vote – Where there is an equal number of votes for and against a motion, the Chair is required to cast a second “casting vote” to break the tie.

**4. POLICY:**

4.1.1 Pursuant to Section 61(6) of the Local Government Act, the Chair of a Council Meeting must exercise a second or casting vote in the event of an equality of votes.

4.1.2 Pursuant to Section 61(7) of the Local Government Act, this policy cannot be altered or revoked during the term of the present Council and lapses at the conclusion of the next general election.

**5. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS**

Nil.

**6. REFERENCES AND LEGISLATION**

Northern Territory Local Government Act, Section 61

**7. REVIEW HISTORY**

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