

	CASTING VOTE OF PRESIDENT	
	CATEGORY:	GOVERNANCE
	LG ACT 2019 REF:	Section 95 (6) (a), (b) & (c)
	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

1. PURPOSE:

This policy establishes the use of a casting vote by the chairperson of council meetings. The chairperson is the Council President, or Vice-President if the President is not in attendance.

2. SCOPE:

This policy applies to the chairperson of council meetings.

3. DEFINITIONS:

Casting vote is applied 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 95(6) of the Local Government Act 2019, the chairperson 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 95(6)(b) & (c) of the Local Government Act 2019, 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 2019, Section 95.

7. REVIEW HISTORY

Date Approved 13/11/2008	Approved By Council Moved: Seconded: Vote: AIF	Resolution # 2008/	Date for review Next Council Election
Date Approved 17/03/2009	Approved By Council Moved: Seconded: Vote: AIF	Resolution # 2009/	Date for review Next Council Election

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