

9.5. 2026 Council Meeting Schedule - amendment

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CSP LINK	Outcome 8 – An effective, accountable and sustainable Council that serves the community G3. Make it easy for our community to engage and participate in decision-making

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to propose an amendment to the 2025-26 Council meeting schedule due to the Australian Council of Local Government meeting prior to the Australian Local Government Association conference in June.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- The Local Government Act prescribes that Councils are required to meet at least 10 times each year, each time in a different month.
- This report proposes an amendment to the 2025-26 Council meeting schedule to allow councillors to attend the Australian Council of Local Government meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the 2025-26 Council meeting schedule be amended to move the 22 June meeting to 29 June 2026.

Background

At its meeting held 25 August 2025, Council adopted a Council Meeting schedule for 2025-26. This included meetings for the period of October 2025 to September 2026.

Report

The 2026 Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG) will take place prior to the National General Assembly (NGA) on Monday 22 June 2026 at the Great Hall, Australian Parliament House, as a dedicated afternoon event. The program will feature a series of panel discussions and presentations focused on priority areas for local government, including housing, emergency management and productivity.

The ACLG showcases the important partnership the Australian Government has with local governments across Australia.

Councillors will be attending the NGA which commences on Tuesday 23 June and some councillors have indicated an interest in attending the ACLG.

The current 2026 Council meeting schedule provides for a meeting on Monday 22 June.

To allow councillor to attend the ACLG, it is proposed that this meeting be moved to Monday 29 June 2026 as there are no meetings currently scheduled in that day.

Consultation requirements

Community engagement is not required.

Financial/Resource Implications

There is no financial implication as a result of this change.

Legislation

Section 365 of the Local Government Act prescribes that the council is required to meet at least 10 times each year, each time in a different month.