



# LITHGOW CITY COUNCIL

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**OBJECTIVES:** To provide for a policy consistent with the provisions of section 365 for the Local Government Act 1993 which states that *"The Council is required to meet at least 10 times each year, each time in a different month"*.

To provide for a policy whereby the Council will meet and hold an Ordinary Meeting 11 times each year and that such meetings be held in the months of February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December each year.

To provide for a policy whereby an Ordinary Meeting of the Council will not be held in the month of January each year.

#### **POLICY:**

- 1 Due to the fact that the month of January is a traditional holiday period, Council will not hold an Ordinary Meeting of the Council, including Principle, Standing and Statutory Committee Meetings, in January, unless otherwise determined by the Mayor and General Manager that a meeting is required to attend to Council business of an urgent nature.
- 2 Council will rely on the statutory role of the Mayor as stated in section 226 of the Local Government Act 1993..... *"To exercise, in cases of necessity, the policy-making function of the governing body of the council between meetings of the council"* ....should the exercise of this role of the Mayor be required during the month of January each year.
- 3 Council will rely on the statutory role of the General Manager as stated in section 335 and others of the Local Government Act 1993..... *"that the general manager is generally responsible for the efficient and effective operation of the council's organisation....."*.

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