

Agenda

Special Council Meeting

11 June 2025



9 June 2025

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Dear Council Member,

The Shire President has called a Special Meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Shire of Mundaring Administration Centre, 7000 Great Eastern Highway, Mundaring at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, 11 June 2025.

The purpose of the meeting is:

Reviewing Council's Position – Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council (Confidential)

The attached agenda is presented for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

Jason Whiteaker
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Please Note

If a Council Member has a query regarding a report item or requires additional information in relation to a report item, please contact the senior employee (noted in the report) prior to the meeting

ATTENTION/DISCLAIMER

The purpose of this Special Council Meeting is to discuss and, where possible, make resolutions about items appearing on the agenda. Whilst Council has the power to resolve such items and may in fact appear to have done so at the meeting, no person should rely on or act on the basis of such decision or on any advice or information provided by a Council Member or employee, or on the content of any discussion occurring during the course of the Meeting. Persons should be aware that regulation 10 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 establishes procedures to revoke or change a Council decision. No person should rely on the decisions made by Council until formal written advice of the Council decision is received by that person. The Shire of Mundaring expressly disclaims liability for any loss or damage suffered by any person as a result of relying on or acting on the basis of any resolution of Council, or any advice or information provided by a Council Member or employee, or the content of any discussion occurring during the course of the Council Meeting.

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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHIRE OF MUNDARING ADMINISTRATIOIN CENTRE, 7000
GREAT EASTERN HIGHWAY, MUNDARING. – 5:30 PM

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

Acknowledgement of Country

Shire of Mundaring respectfully acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation, who are the traditional custodians of this land. We acknowledge Elders past, present and emerging and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the region.

Recording of Meeting

Members of Council and members of the gallery are advised that this meeting will be livestreamed and audio-recorded.

1.1 Record of Attendance

The President confirmed that they have received Cr Mehta's declaration to attend this meeting by electronic means in accordance with section 14CA of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*.

Council Members	Pres Paige McNeil (Presiding Member)	Shire President
	Cr Luke Ellery	South Ward
	Cr Doug Jeans	Central Ward
	Cr Prapti Mehta (via electronic means)	Central Ward
	Cr John Daw	East Ward
	Cr Neridah Zlatnik	East Ward
	Cr Jo Cicchini	West Ward
	Cr Karen Beale	West Ward
Apologies	Nil	
Leave of Absence	Nil	
Absent	Nil	
Staff	Jason Whiteaker	Chief Executive Officer
	Garry Bird	Director Corporate Services
	Megan Griffiths	Director Place & Community
	Shane Purdy	Director Built & Natural Environment
	Anna Italiano	Minute Secretary
Guests	Nil	
Members of the Public		

2.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

3.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

3.1 Declaration of Financial Interest and Proximity Interests

Council Members must disclose the nature of their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting (*Part 5 Division 6 of the Local Government Act 1995*).

Employees must disclose the nature of their interest in reports or advice when giving the report or advice to the meeting (*Sections 5.70 and 5.71 of the Local Government Act 1995*).

3.2 Declaration of Interest Affecting Impartiality

A Council Member or an employee who has an interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting must disclose that interest (*Shire of Mundaring Code of Conduct, Local Government (Admin) Reg. 34C*).

4.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

15 minutes (with a possible extension of two extra 15 minute periods) are set aside at the beginning of each Council meeting to allow members of the public to ask questions of Council.

Public Question Time is to be conducted in accordance with *Shire of Mundaring Meeting Procedures Local Law 2015*.

5.0 PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Deputations

- (1) Members of the public may, during the deputations segment of the order of business and with the consent of the Presiding Member, make a public statement on any matter that appears on the agenda for that meeting provided that –
 - a) the deputation is limited to a maximum of 3 minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Presiding member;
 - b) the deputation is not offensive or defamatory in nature, providing that the Presiding Member has taken all reasonable steps to assist the member of the public to phrase the statement in a manner that is not offensive or defamatory; and
 - c) no discussion or questions relating to the deputation are permitted, unless otherwise determined by the Presiding Member.
- (2) Fifteen minutes is to be allocated for deputations.
- (3) Once all statements have been made, nothing prevents the unused part of the deputation time period from being used for other matters.
- (4) If the 15 minute period set aside for deputations is reached, Council may resolve by resolution that statement time be extended for no more than two 15 minute extensions.

5.2 Petitions

- (1) A petition is to –
 - a) be addressed to the President;
 - b) be made by electors of the district;
 - c) state the request on each page of the petition;
 - d) contain the legible names, addresses and signatures of the electors making the request;
 - e) contain a summary of the reasons for the request;
 - f) state the name of the person to whom, and an address at which, notice to the petitioners can be given; and
 - g) not contain offensive or insulting language.
- (2) On the presentation of a petition –
 - a) the member presenting it or the CEO is confined to reading the petition; and
 - b) the only motion that is in order is that the petition be received and that it be referred to the CEO for action.
- (3) At any meeting, the Council is not to vote on any matter that is the subject of a petition presented to that meeting, unless –
 - a) The matter is the subject of a report included in the agenda; and
 - b) The Council has considered the issues raised in the petition.

5.3 Presentations

The Chief Executive Officer of the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council will provide Council with a presentation on this item.

Please note: This presentation will be held once the meeting is closed to the public.

6.0 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Meeting Closed to Public

The Local Government Act 1995, Part 5, Section 5.23 states in part:

- (2) If a meeting is being held by a council or by a committee referred to in subsection (1)(b), the council or committee may close to members of the public the meeting, or part of the meeting, if the meeting or the part of the meeting deals with any of the following —
 - (a) a matter affecting an employee or employees; and
 - (b) the personal affairs of any person; and
 - (c) a contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting; and
 - (d) legal advice obtained, or which may be obtained, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting; and
 - (e) a matter that if disclosed, would reveal —
 - (i) a trade secret; or
 - (ii) information that has a commercial value to a person; or
 - (iii) information about the business, professional, commercial or financial affairs of a person, where the trade secret or information is held by, or is about, a person other than the local government; and

- (f) a matter that if disclosed, could be reasonably expected to —
 - (i) impair the effectiveness of any lawful method or procedure for preventing, detecting, investigating or dealing with any contravention or possible contravention of the law; or
 - (ii) endanger the security of the local government's property; or
 - (iii) prejudice the maintenance or enforcement of a lawful measure for protecting public safety; and
- (g) information which is the subject of a direction given under section 23(1a) of the *Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1971*; and
- (h) such other matters as may be prescribed.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council closes the meeting to members of the public, in accordance with s5.23(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, in order to consider the confidential report as detailed below:

6.1 Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council - Confidential

Item 6.1 is considered confidential in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* section 5.23(2) (c) as it contains information relating to a contract entered into, or which may be entered into, by the local government and which relates to a matter to be discussed at the meeting.

7.0 CLOSING PROCEDURES

7.1 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, 8 July 2025 at 6:30 PM in the Council Chamber, Shire of Mundaring Administration Centre, 7000 Great Eastern Highway, Mundaring.

7.2 Closure of the Meeting