



## VISION OF COUNCIL

*"A thriving and friendly community that recognises our history and embraces cultural diversity and economic opportunity, whilst nurturing our unique natural and built environment."*

# AGENDA

FOR THE

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

**28 FEBRUARY 2019**

## **OUR VISION**

***"A thriving and friendly community that recognises our history and embraces cultural diversity and economic opportunity, whilst nurturing our unique natural and built environment."***

## **OUR MISSION**

***"To deliver affordable and quality Local Government services."***

## **CORE VALUES OF THE SHIRE**

***The core values that underpin the achievement of the mission will be based on a strong customer service focus and a positive attitude:***

**Communication**

**Integrity**

**Respect**

**Innovation**

**Transparency**

**Courtesy**

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**SHIRE OF BROOME**  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**THURSDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2019**  
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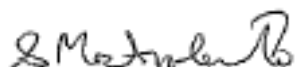
## NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Council Member,

A Special Meeting of the Shire of Broome will be held on Thursday, 28 February 2019 in the Council Chambers, Corner Weld and Haas Streets, Broome, commencing at 4.50pm for the purpose of considering:

- COUNCILLOR FOY LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST

Regards



S MASTROLEMBO  
**Chief Executive Officer**

28/02/2019

**1. OFFICIAL OPENING**

**2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

Attendance:

Leave of Absence:

Apologies:

Officers:

Public Gallery:

**3. DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST / IMPARTIALITY**

FINANCIAL INTEREST			
Councillor	Item No	Item	Nature of Interest

IMPARTIALITY			
Councillor	Item No	Item	Nature of Interest

**4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**5. MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED**

Under section 5.23 (2)(d) of the *Local Government Act 1995* Council may resolve to move the meeting behind closed doors.

**6.**

**REPORTS  
OF  
OFFICERS**

# 6.1

## OUR ORGANISATION



### ***PRIORITY STATEMENT***

Council will strive to create an environment where local governance is delivered in an open and accountable manner; where we provide leadership to the region in such areas as planning and financial management; where the community has the opportunity to contribute to the Council's decision making thereby fostering ownership of strategies and initiatives.

In delivering open, accountable and inclusive governance, we will be ever mindful that we operate within a highly regulated environment that requires a high level of compliance.

Council will strive to be the conduit between the other spheres of government and the community, translating State and Federal law, policy and practice into customer focussed, on ground service delivery that support's Broome's unique lifestyle.

The Region is experiencing significant change with Council dedicated to sound governance, effective leadership and innovation, and high quality services. Building organisational capacity is a priority with a commitment to delivering services to the community in a sustainable, effective and accountable way.

**6.4.1 COUNCILLOR FOY LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST**

<b>LOCATION/ADDRESS:</b>	Nil
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Councillor Elsta Foy
<b>FILE:</b>	GOC07
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	Senior Procurement, Risk & Governance Officer
<b>CONTRIBUTOR/S:</b>	Nil
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:</b>	Director Corporate Services
<b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:</b>	Nil
<b>DATE OF REPORT:</b>	28 February 2019

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request for Leave of Absence submitted by Councillor E Foy on 28 February 2019.

**BACKGROUND**Previous Considerations

Nil.

**COMMENT**

A written request for a leave of absence for the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held 28 February 2019 has been received from Councillor Elsta Foy on 28 February 2019, as contained in attachment 1. Council are requested to consider approving the leave request.

**STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT****2.25. Disqualification for failure to attend meetings**

- (1) A council may, by resolution, grant leave of absence, to a member.
- (2) Leave is not to be granted to a member in respect of more than 6 consecutive ordinary meetings of the council without the approval of the Minister, unless all of the meetings are within a period of 3 months.
- (3A) Leave is not to be granted in respect of —
  - (a) a meeting that has concluded; or
  - (b) the part of a meeting before the granting of leave.
- (3) The granting of the leave, or refusal to grant the leave and reasons for that refusal, is to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- (4) A member who is absent, without obtaining leave of the council, throughout 3 consecutive ordinary meetings of the council is disqualified from continuing his or her membership of the council, unless all of the meetings are within a 2 month period.
- (5A ) If a council holds 3 or more ordinary meetings within a 2 month period, and a member is absent without leave throughout each of those meetings, the member is disqualified if he or she is absent without leave throughout the ordinary meeting of the council immediately following the end of that period.



- (5) *The non-attendance of a member at the time and place appointed for an ordinary meeting of the council does not constitute absence from an ordinary meeting of the council —*
- (a) *if no meeting of the council at which a quorum is present is actually held on that day; or*
  - (b) *if the non-attendance occurs —*
    - (i) *while the member has ceased to act as a member after written notice has been given to the member under section 2.27(3) and before written notice has been given to the member under section 2.27(5); or*
    - (ii) *while proceedings in connection with the disqualification of the member have been commenced and are pending; or*
    - (iii a) *while the member is suspended under section 5.117(1)(a)(iv) or Part 8; or*
    - (iii) *while the election of the member is disputed and proceedings relating to the disputed election have been commenced and are pending.*
- (6) *A member who before the commencement of the Local Government Amendment Act 2009 section 5<sup>1</sup> was granted leave during an ordinary meeting of the council from which the member was absent is to be taken to have first obtained leave for the remainder of that meeting.*

## **RISK**

If Council do not approve this leave of absence request, Councillor Foy risks disqualification from her duties as councillor in accordance with section 2.25 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

## **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

**Our Organisation Goal – Continually enhance the Shire’s organisational capacity to service the needs of a growing community:**

An organisational culture that strives for service excellence

Responsible resource allocation

Effective community engagement

Improved systems, processes and compliance

## **VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

*Absolute Majority*

### REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

*That Councillor E Foy be granted Leave of Absence for the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held 28 February 2019.*

**(ABSOLUTE MAJORITY REQUIRED)**

## **Attachments**

1. Written Request

**Councilor Elsta Foy**

13 Millington Rd, Cable Beach WA 6726  
Phone: 08 9192 1739

► **Shire President – Harold Tracey**

Shire of Broome  
Phone: 9191 3456

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**Dear Mr President**

I seek your and my fellow councilor's permission to seek Leave of Absence from the council meeting Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup> 2019.

As my only surviving brother has recently passed away, I have family coming to Broome and I need to be available to meet their needs.

My apologies for the lack of notice and I ask for you all to grant me this leave on compassionate grounds

Yours Sincerely

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**Councilor Elsta Foy**  
Councilor, Shire of Broome  
[Type the sender company name]  
2/28/2019

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**7. MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS**

**8. MEETING CLOSURE**