

6.13. 2025 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CANBERRA

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorses the attendance of Mayor Lisa Scomazzon at the 2025 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) 24-27 June 2025, Canberra.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) is holding the 31st National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) from 24 – 27 June 2025 inclusive, at the National Convention Centre in Canberra. As a national gathering of local governments, the NGA provides councils with the opportunity to come together, share ideas and debate motions.

BACKGROUND

Established in 1947, the mission of ALGA is to achieve outcomes for local government through advocacy with impact, and maximise the economic, environmental and social wellbeing of councils and our communities. Since 1994, the NGA has demonstrated the strength and value of working with local government to help deliver on national priorities. The theme for the 2025 NGA is *National Priorities Need Local Solutions*, highlighting the role Australia's councils can play in delivering local solutions that meet the needs of their community, while addressing broader national priorities.

Attendance at the NGA will provide Mayor Scomazzon with a significant opportunity to engage with the Federal Government and key Ministers, and to advocate for key initiatives to strengthen local governments.

The ALGA has called for Councils to submit motions for consideration at the NGA. A separate report will be provided for endorsement of the proposed submission.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The cost to Council will include conference registration, travel, accommodation costs and sundry expenses. The approximate total cost for one Councillor will be \$3,000.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil