

MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY

**INTERGRATED DEVELOPMENT FORUM**

SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT THE **CITY HALL MAIN HALL ON FRIDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> OF MARCH 2018 AT 09h00.**

**COUNCILLORS**

**PRESENT:** S. Khumalo (EXCO)

**OFFICIALS**

**PRESENT:** Messer's/Madame's: Y Ofosu-Kwakge (COGTA), Dr S Mnchunu (Department of Education), C Buthelezi (Public Works), J Mnisi (Social Development), Dr M Govender (Department of Transport), A Ramnath (uMngeni water), L Nene (Sports and recreation), N Makhoba (Stats SA), DJR Easthorpe (Umgungundlovu TVET College), B Xasa (uMgungundlovu District Municipality), F Nzimande (Arts & Culture), X Mlotshwa (ABM), S Ndlovu (Msunduzi Municipality), J Peromae (Msunduzi Municipality), S Kunene (Msunduzi Municipality), R Gounden (Msunduzi Municipality), C Anthony (Msunduzi Municipality), C Magubane (Msunduzi Municipality), S Mbanjwa (Msunduzi Municipality), L Kunene (Msunduzi Municipality), B Roupen (Msunduzi Municipality), S Mthunzi (Msunduzi Municipality), M Mngwengwe (Msunduzi Municipality), S Myeni (Msunduzi Municipality), T Khoza (Msunduzi Municipality), N Hlophe (Msunduzi Municipality), S Mngadi (Msunduzi Municipality), S Majodwana (Msunduzi Municipality), N Ngcobo (Msunduzi Municipality), N Mhlonyana (Msunduzi Municipality), R Thomso (URBIS Consulting), M De Lange (Isithungusethu Environmental Services), J Martins (UMD Economic Development Agency), L Mbatha (UMDNETNALL).

**1. WELCOME AND APPLICATION FOR LEAVE**

The Chairperson Councilor S Khumalo officially opened the meeting, he thanked and welcomed Forum members and declared the meeting open. He requested that all Forum members introduce themselves. Apologies were received on behalf of the Honorable Mayor T Njilo, SANRAL, Environmental Affairs and Office of the Premier.

**2. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING OF THE IDP FORUM HELD ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2017**

It was

**AGREED**

That the minutes of the IDP Forum meeting held on 15 September 2017 be **CONFIRMED**.

### **3. MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY STATUS QUO**

(Item 4 of the Agenda)

#### **3.1 DRAFT INTERGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Manager for IDP took members through an electronic presentation, He highlighted the role and purpose of Msunduzi Municipality within the National and Provincial content, He gave an overview presentation of the IDP and highlighted the following;

- Key Strategies
- 2018/19 IDP review key challenges
- Institutional challenges and
- Turn around strategies

The Manager stated that interventions and corporation from Departments is critical, in meeting the National and Provincial Development plan as stated by the President in the State of the Nation address

He also stated that at a Provincial level Msunduzi Municipality is in line with the 7 strategic goals with regards to IDP namely

- Inclusive Economic Growth
- Human Resource Development
- Human & Community Development
- Strategic Infrastructure
- Environmental Sustainability
- Governance & Policy
- Spatial Equity

The manager informed the Forum of the new ward 19, that has been adopted by Msunduzi Municipality, He also stated that Geographically Msunduzi Municipality is well located compared to neighboring Local Municipalities. He also informed members of the forum that Msunduzi Municipality is highly populated compared to other Local Municipalities.

#### **3.2 MUNICIPAL OVERVIEW ECONOMY GDP**

The Manager also highlighted the share GDP at a Provincial level indicating that eThekweni had 62% share and Msunduzi Municipality having 10%. He further stated that Msunduzi Municipality had a high percentage growth compared to other Municipalities due to its location and Industries operating within the Msunduzi Municipality.

It was also stated that population growth in the Msunduzi Municipality was a concern as it pressures the Cities Infrastructure which needs to be considered when conducting Infrastructure planning, He further informed Forum members that the Youth population was highly motivated by the Universities as well as career opportunities.

#### **3.3 MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY CHALLENGES**

The Manger IDP; informed members of the following challenges facing Msunduzi Municipality

- Land Acquisition
- Land Use Management System
- Human Settlement
- Land Matters (Land invasion)
- Infrastructure Services
- Policies and bylaws
- Urban decay

### **3.4 URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS**

It was stated that Msunduzi Municipality had the following projects in progress

- IRPTN
- PURP beautification
- Legislative precinct
- Liberty Midlands mall extension and

That the following were proposed Interventions;

- Alexandra Park Precinct
- Northern CBD Gateway
- Infill Greenfield
- Infill Brownfield

### **3.5 2018-2019 IDP KEY REVIEW AREAS**

The Manager also highlighted the following as Key review areas for 2018/19

- Adverse audit opinion (Disclaimer)
- Compromised financial health of the municipality
- Ever increasing debtors book
- Ineffective credit control (to maximize collection)
- Poor expenditure management controls
- Poor asset management and control
- Misaligned of internal audit plan
- High vacancy rate
- Poor spending on capital grants & capital project management
- Poor call center and report back mechanisms
- Fraud and corruption
- Aged and ageing infrastructure
- Increasing electricity and water losses
- Poor work ethics amongst staff
- Lack of supervision
- Lack of regional and town planning
- Filthy city
- Lack of law enforcement and traffic control
- Long lead times for processing and business licenses & opportunities

He also stated that as Msunduzi Municipality, a short-term intervention plan called “10 point plan – Operation siyajik’izinto” which included;

- Audit action plan
- Budget adjustment & management
- Cost containment measures
- Revenue management & enhancement
- Debtor management
- Meter replacement program
- Investment management
- Alternate revenue sources
- Capex spending
- Management of entities
- Call center & records management
- Filling of vacant positions

Following Discussions

It was

**AGREED**

- a) That Sector Departments submit updated capital project for 2018/19 before 9 March 2018.
- b) That Msunduzi Municipality to meet with PCB big Businesses before 30 March 2018
- c) That a Bi- lateral meeting be held with Sanral
- d) That a meeting with Department of Social Development, Health and Community Safety be held in April 2018
- e) That a draft of 2018/19 IDP and Budget be presented to Council before 28 March 2018
- f) That Stakeholders consult throughout April 2018
- g) That the next Forum on final 2018/19 IDP review be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2018

#### **4 MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY: INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

(Item 5 of the Agenda)

The Forum members were taken through an electronic presentation highlighting the project overview and the key elements that the Industrial sector need to be addressed in order to increase industrial investments in the City.

##### **4.1 PROJECT OVERVIEW**

It was stated that 108 actions had been identified by Msunduzi Municipality which needed to be linked with sectors IDP, it was also stated that the project had commenced 8 months ago.

- Situational analysis
- Sectoral analysis
- Potential analysis
- Land supply and demand analysis
- Project prioritization model
- Monitoring and evaluation matrix

## **4.2 PROJECT PURPOSE**

It was stated that the project was to formulate a Local Industrial Development Strategy based on identified development needs, opportunities, competitive and comparative advantages in order to guide the Msunduzi Municipality to facilitate development as well as unlock industrial development potential, encourage private sector investments and create economic development and job opportunities for disadvantage communities.

It was also stated that Industrial Industries had identified the following as key requirements in terms of efficient and effective production;

- Infrastructure (Roads & Transport access)
- Land and spatial issues
- Human resource
- Water and Electricity

## **5 PRESENTATION DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

(Item 7 of the Agenda)

The Presenter took Forum members through the electronic presentation highlighting the following statics pertaining to matric pass rate. He also stated that as Umgungundlovu District education a contribution of 72% pass rate had been achieved. Adding that as a department a target of 90% Matric pass rate has been set for 2018.

### **5.1 CURRICULLUM INTERVENTIONS**

The presenter informed the Forum members of interventions the Department had put in place projects to assist learners and teachers in achieving set targets.

- Project Lekelela
- Operation scaffold
- High Flyers
- Winter MIP
- Revision Programs
- Radio Lessons

### **5.2 INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT SERVICES REPORT**

It was stated that the Department of Education had the following school projects

- Zuzulwazi Secondary School refurbishment and rehabilitation
- Woodlans Primary School new /replacement infrastructure assets
- uMvuzo Secondary School new /replacement infrastructure assets
- M L SULTAN Secondary School maintenance and repair
- Nkabini Primary School maintenance and repair

- Mehlokazulu Sec Major Repairs & Renovations

### **5.3 CHALLENGES**

The Presenter also informed the Forum members that major challenges faced by the Department of Education, he added that strategies had been put in place to address the following challenges;

- Illegal invasion of DOE sites.
- Vandalism in schools
- Arson
- Limited funds for school maintenance
- poor workmanship by contractors
- IAs delay in awarding and appointment contractors
- Farm schools challenge in signing Section 14 agreements
- Water shortage

The Manager; IDP sought for clarity as to whom is responsible for the repair and maintenance of water meter within schools.

Members also sought for clarity with the enrolment of children living with disabilities, Members further sought for clarity as to the benchmark used in order to identify communities that need schools.

## **6. PRESENTATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

(Item 8 of Agenda)

The representative; Department of Social Development took forum members through the electronic presentation highlighting the vision and mission of the Department.

### **6.1 STRATEGIC GOALS**

It was stated that the Department of Social Development had the following strategic goals;

- To provide developmental social welfare to persons affected by substance abuse
- To render crime prevention services
- To provide developmental social welfare services to older persons
- Assist people with disabilities
- Assist families infected and affected by HIV Aids
- Assist victims of crime and violence
- To provide child care and protection services
- To provide youth development services
- To provide capacity development programs to non-profit organization towards creation of sustainability
- To promote population –related research, policy development and planning.
- To advocate and strengthen inter-sectoral collaboration and human resource development.

She stated that under Msunduzi Municipality currently the Department is servicing 39 wards and had offices in Vulindlela, Dambuza, Maswazini one stop shop and Central CBD.

Members raised concerns regarding children and people living on the street, as this is affecting the Cities development and investment, Clarity was sought as to plans and strategies in place to address the issue.

It was stated that programs had been developed to address the issue and implementation would proceed during the course of this year. Stakeholders such as SANCA are on board to assist those individuals living under the influence of drugs.

## **7. PRESENTATION DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

(Item 11 of Agenda)

The presenter took delegates through the electronic presentation highlighting the Departments major projects, budget allocations as well as project beneficiaries.

### **7.1 EXPANDING PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME (EPWP)**

She stated that the Department of Public works was working with Municipalities through this program to address the issues of Poverty, unskilled youth, radical socio economic transformation in disadvantage communities.

### **7.2 YOUTH EMPOWERMENT**

It was also stated that Msunduzi Municipality was not benefiting with regards to this particular program, however the Department has employed Eyesizwe Contractors to provide employment and skills to unemployed youth, she also stated that The department had hosted successful youth and women in construction summits, to give special attention to radical socio –economic transformation and growth opportunities.

### **7.3 KZN INTERGRATED GREENING PROGRAMME**

The presenter informed members that the KZN integrated greening program focuses on;

- greening activities such as growing and planting indigenous and edible plants,
- collecting recyclable waste,
- restoring community forest assets,
- trading bicycles,
- water tank solar energy devices.

It was also stated that since its launch, thousands of trees have been planted and work opportunities have been created around the Province.

### **7.4 BUSARY AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME**

It was stated that the Department had awarding nine bursaries deserving student within Msunduzi Municipality in the scarce skills disciplines in;

- Built Engineering
- Architecture
- Quantity Surveying
- Engineering
- Real Estate and Construction Project Management

She also stated that the Departments Internship program had employed 17 students

The Manager IDP requested clarity concerning the Departments Youth Project, as to how the youth of Msunduzi Municipality can also benefit from the project as currently Msunduzi Municipality is not benefiting.

In response it was stated that the youth program is aimed to assist all youth within the different Municipalities including Msunduzi Municipality, as the project will be coordinated within the Municipality.

## **8. PRESENTATION DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

(Item 12 of Agenda)

The presenter took members through the presentation stating that Department of Corporative Governance took a resolution in 2012 which stated that all District have a Development agency, since the resolution ten Development Agency had been established across the Province.

He stated that the core mandate of the District Development Agency is to identify, package facilitate and achieve strategic goals for projects.

### **8.1 DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT AGENCY PROJECTS**

It was stated that 180 thousand learners from disadvantage households had been identified and will be assisted with food in the third quarter of 2018, It was also stated that aid in the form of vegetable gardens will be provided for families of the 180 thousand learners.

He also stated that upgrading of Goat farms is in the pipelines and partnerships for import had been formed with relevant stakeholders. Adding to that it was also stated that projects to upgrade cattle farming as well as chicken farming was essential and engagements had been made with farmers in order to establish resources need to provide effective production as well as maintain close relations with the industry

## **9. PRESENTAION UMNGENI WATER**

(Item 13 of Agenda)



The presenter from uMngeni water took delegates through the presentation. She requested that the Forum note that currently all dams were overflowing due to the constant rains experienced in the Midlands region.

It was also stated that uMngeni is in partnership with the Department of water & sanitation as the custodian of the country's water resource and that at local level within Pietermaritzburg uMgungundlovu and Msunduzi Municipality were water service authorities.

## **9.1 STATUS OF DAMS**

It was stated that as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of March dam levels within uMgungundlovu District were reflecting the following levels;

- Spring Grove Dam – 100.36%
- Midamar Dam – 99.09%
- Mearns Dam – 99.20%

It was also stated that uMgungundlovu District is the custodian of the water resources for the economic hub of KZN as the water used by Durban comes from uMgungundlovu District.

The presenter took delegates through uMngeni water project namely and the projected costs thereof;

<b>PROJECT NAME</b>	<b>PROJECTED COSTS</b>
1. 251 raw water pipeline Midmar Dam to Midmar WTP	R162 604 474.45
2. Midmar WTP upgrade	R305 559 812.55
3. Howick West Reservoir upgrade	R70 166 179.37
4. UMkhomazi water project phase 1	R330 573 800.00
5. Vulindlela upgrade	R5 678 519 865.81
6. Table Mountain upgrade	R119 000 000.00
7. Darvill wastewater works upgrade	R960 973 859.86

## **10. CLOSING REMARKS**

The Chairperson thanked delegate for attending the IDP forum and suggested that in the next Forum, members would go on sight to experience and note the various project under the different Departments, He also stated that it was of importance to ensure that projects are reaching disadvantage communities and seek for methods to eradicate poverty and unemployment.

Meeting terminated at 12h34

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Chairperson

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