

The official newsletter of the Msunduzi Municipality

Council vows to help improve Audit Reports

Municipal councillors have given a firm commitment to ensure achieving a better future audit report.

This follows after the municipality recently received a disclaimer from the Auditor-General.

At a recent sitting, councillors said city officials must be given a chance to implement a turn-around plan in motion to help the municipality improve its position.

Councillor Sibusiso Mtshali expressed disappointment with the report and appealed to the management to provide reports more timeously to enable councillors to discharge their oversight duties.

Another councillor Sandile Ngubane echoed the sentiments of disappointment with the audit report.

“We acknowledge that this report is bad and reflects badly to everyone concerned, but let us give

management a chance to present their plan and work on finding the solution. The plan that will be tabled at the next council sitting in February is expected to provide, in great detail, how the municipality will spend money efficiently and ensure that service delivery objectives are met.

Msunduzi Mayor Themba Njilo appealed to all councillors to assist in making the City a better place by scrutinising documents when attending meetings so that problems are detected at an early stage. “It is up to all of us to make the Msunduzi Municipality the best in the province and it is in line with the commitments we made when we assumed office in 2016,” said Njilo. He added that as the provincial capital Msunduzi is expected to lead by example both in the managing of finances and service delivery as this would help in attracting investments in the city.

IRPTN project on track

Workers continue with construction in Moses Mabhidia Road that forms part of the Intergrated Rapid Public Transport Network (IRPTN). The project is funded by the Department of Transport and once complete will be able to accommodate large volumes of traffic from Imbali, Edendale, Vulindlela and surrounding areas. Recently Msunduzi councillors visited the site to check progress on the construction as part of their oversight duties and expressed their satisfaction at the pace of the construction. The IRPTN project is one of a number of infrastructure projects under the Msunduzi Municipality.

MSUNDUZI BRIEFS

Warning to drivers



MSUNDUZI Municipality Traffic department has appealed to drivers to report traffic police officers who ask for bribes. The call comes in the wake of a recent arrest of a man who had been impersonating a traffic officer,

and taking bribes. According to Acting Traffic Inspector Bheki Zondi people must be careful when they come across individuals who want bribes and should insist that officers produce positive identification including

an appointment card. Community Services Committee Chairperson Sphamandla Khumalo stressed that communities needed to be vigilant against all forms of criminal activity and report them to nearby authorities.

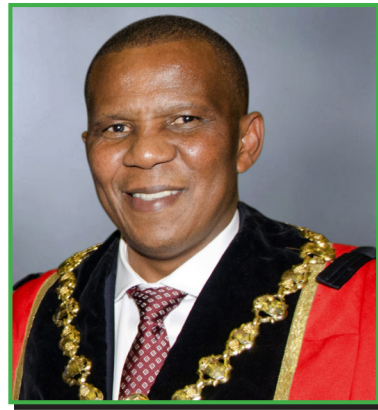
More high mast lights

More funds have been put aside for the rollout of high mast lights in all parts of the municipality. This is contained in a report tabled at a recent meeting of the Infrastructure Development Committee where it was revealed that 133 mast lights have been installed to date. The lights assist with road safety and better traffic flow and helps in deterring crime and vandalism. Funding for the lights comes from the Municipal Infrastructure Grant and areas such as Edendale, Imbali and Vulindlela have been identified as priority areas for the installation of the lights. Infrastructure



Development Committee Chairperson Thobani Zuma said they would be closely monitoring the rollout of the programme.

Mayor's Message *Themba Njilo Msunduzi Mayor*



Planning is a crucial component for success

The beginning of the year is an important time that provides a chance for all of us to reflect and make a fresh start. It is a time when we are able to see where we went wrong in the past and work hard today so that the future becomes better. Let us all challenge ourselves into becoming better individuals. In this way, we will create better and stronger families and

communities. I appeal to learners, who did not pass their matric, to make use of the department of education's second chance programme because education is the most important weapon that a young person can ever have. When things get tough, learners should remember that, as one teacher remarked, with education the roots are bitter, but its fruits are tasty. So none of you should be discouraged by challenges, including failures, but should draw inspiration to the

fact that some of the most revered individuals in our society have experienced failure at some point or another in their lives. Former president Nelson Mandela is on record that when he was doing his legal studies he failed one of the modules, but did not allow that setback to derail him on his quest to becoming a lawyer, and he soldiered on until he passed. As history has it, he and Oliver Reginald Tambo opened the first black owned legal practice in South Africa. So the message is

clear, no amount of failure should shift our focus away from our goals. I am sure that Msunduzi residents have seen how active our workers have been in different parts of the city over the past weeks in making sure that our city is clean. The challenge now is for all residents and visitors to play their part in making use of rubbish bins when they are disposing rubbish. The end of December and most of January has seen a major heat wave in our city, KwaZulu-Natal and South Africa.

This has once again underlined the importance of saving water. Let us be mindful that if the province such as the Western Cape in South Africa can face such a severe drought that there is the prospect of running out of water by April, it is a must that we continue to use water sparingly. I would like to urge all Msunduzi residents to #savewater, #stoplandinvasion, #stopillegalelectricityconnection. Together we can do more. Let us take care of our beautiful City of Choice, that is second to none.

ABOUT US

Msunduzi News is the official Msunduzi Municipality publication through which ratepayers, residents and visitors are informed of news and perspectives in the greater Msunduzi. It is a forum for readers' views and is published monthly.

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City on my mind *City Manager Sizwe Hadebe*

City has turn-around strategy in place



As the administrative wing of the Msunduzi Municipality we take full responsibility for the report from the Auditor General (AG) for the 2016/2017 financial year. We have noted this report with concern and wish to place on record that despite this setback, the municipality is still financially viable. This position has not affected the Municipality's going concern. It is still in a position to meet all its financial obligations and service delivery imperatives as approved in the IDP.

We are aware of the challenges before us as the Msunduzi Municipality is the Capital city of KwaZulu Natal and that means we should lead by example. The feeling among officials, especially at senior level, echoes the sentiment that we have let our ratepayers down. As the City Manager and head of the administration, my commitment is to see to it that all our staff does their work diligently. The blatant incompetence shown by our staff will not be allowed to continue and as a team, we will be addressing issues raised by the AG to restore

the confidence of our ratepayers.

The Municipality has developed a turn-around strategy that will address the audit outcomes. We will endeavour to make certain that all systems, controls, and procedures are overhauled to ensure that the Municipality is operating optimally.

To this end, the following measures have been developed for urgent implementation:

- Internal Controls

The Municipality has appointed an audit firm to assist in the implementation of the turnaround strategy and action plan.

- Governance

All governance structures, including the Internal Audit Unit, Municipal Public Account's Committee (MPAC) and Full Council will be capacitated to ensure development and monitoring of risk based analysis that will address the deficiencies in the system of internal controls. We will be providing training to staff to capacitate them where it is necessary.

There will be a major focus on the filling of

key and critical positions.

- Oversight

Training our Councillors on issues of finances so that they can play an active oversight role.

- Leadership

Consequence management will be applied where necessary. The Leadership will be cracking the whip and showing no mercy in ensuring compliance. We are appealing with the workforce and the community of the Msunduzi Municipality to remain calm. The Municipality is still in capable hands to deliver on its mandate, and let us continue to work together in achieving our vision of a safe and vibrant city, in which to live, learn, raise a family, work play and do business. We want to see to it that as of now the municipality moves in an upward trajectory and lives up to its billing as the capital city that is second to none.

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Progress in township development



City Entities and Sustainable Development Chairperson Eunice Zondi has expressed satisfaction at the pace of construction for the Imbali Industrial Hub. The multi-million rand project is expected to breathe life in Imbali as it will provide a range of services to local businesses and forms part of government's township economy. The entrance that was targeted for completion in January is finished while construction inside continues. Zondi said the committee was pleased with progress and was positive that the project would finish within the intended period.

SARS to investigate religious institutions

The South African Revenue Service (SARS) is to work with religious institutions to investigate tax non-compliance, it said recently.

"SARS will engage religious institutions with the intention of investigating possible tax non-compliance in this sector. The decision follows SARS' own preliminary investigation, its meeting with the CRL Rights Commission and general reports suggesting that certain religious organisations and leaders are not in compliance with tax laws, and may be enriching themselves at the expense of tax compliance and their altruistic and philanthropic purpose," said the revenue service.

In its statement, the revenue service acknowledged that a number of religious organisations are indeed complying with their tax obligations.

Religious institutions may apply to SARS to be exempted from the payment of Income Tax and certain other taxes in terms of section 10(1) (cN) of the Income Tax Act, 1962, read together with the provisions of section 30 of the Income Tax Act, 1962. Once such tax exemption status is granted, there are a number of specific criteria that have to be complied with, including but not limited to:

-Conducting activities in a non-profit manner with an altruistic or philanthropic

intent;

-No such activity is intended to directly or indirectly promote economic self-interest of any person other than by way of reasonable remuneration paid for services rendered;

-Religious institutions are prohibited from directly or indirectly distributing funds to any person other than in performing their religious activity.

"SARS is also concerned that proper taxes on trading activities that are unrelated to religious activities as well as Pay As You Earn (PAYE) on remuneration and other benefits are not being paid in terms of legislation. Over and above, SARS has further found a number of religious institutions

issuing tax deductible receipts in terms of section 18A of the Income Tax Act, 1962, for donations towards religious activities. This is not permitted in terms of the Income Tax Act, 1962."

SARS further encouraged these entities to use its Voluntary Disclosure Programme to regulate their taxes.

"SARS will be reaching out to the CRL Rights Commission and faith community to raise awareness about the relevant tax obligations of religious institutions where applicable."

For more information, religious institutions can visit the SARS website www.sars.gov.za or call the SARS Contact Centre on 0800 00 7277.



Minimum wage to be reviewed annually

The national minimum wage will be reviewed on May 1 of each year, in line with government's aim of alleviating poverty in the labour market.

"In the review of [the national minimum wage], the commission that advises the Minister [of Labour] has to take a number of factors into consideration such as inflation, the cost of living, wage levels, wage differentials, productivity, the ability of business to carry on successfully as well as the impact on Small Medium and Micro-sized Enterprises (SMMEs) and employment," Director: Employment Standards at the Department of Labour Stephen Rathai said.

He said the review process should also promote medium-term targets to reduce wage differentials and alleviation of poverty.

"The regulation will include the procedure for exemption, the obligation on employer to consult with the employees or their trade unions and the criteria for evaluating exemptions," Rathai said.

The briefing sessions are being held around the country and started on 9 November 2017. They target all sectors of the economy.

Briefing sessions have been held in Johannesburg, Pretoria, Cape Town, George, Pietermaritzburg, Richards Bay, Durban, Tzaneen and Polokwane. The national minimum wage is scheduled for implementation from 1 May 2018.

The agreed national minimum wage at National Economic Development and Labour Council (NEDLAC) is pegged at R20 an hour for major sectors, with the exception of sectors such as farm workers and domestic workers.



THE MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY

TENDER NOTICE CONTRACT No. SCM 48 OF 17/18

APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF TWO SILVICULTURE CONTRACTORS (FORESTRY ESTABLISHMENT, MAINTENANCE, PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION) FOR THE MSUNDUZI FORESTRY COMPANY

The Msunduzi Municipality hereby invites tenders from suitably experienced Service Providers for the appointment of a panel of two (2) Silviculture Contractors (Forestry Establishment, Maintenance, Protection and Conservation) for the Msunduzi Forestry Company.

Tender documents will be made available to tenderers from **12h00 on Wednesday, 24 January 2018**.

Tender documents can be downloaded and printed at the tenderer's cost from the National Treasury eTender Publication Portal on www.etenders.gov.za.

Printed copies of the tender documents shall also be available from the Supply Chain Management Unit Offices, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Centre, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, as from the above-mentioned date and time, at a non-refundable tender deposit fee of **R799.14 (including VAT)** for each document drawn. Only cash, bank guaranteed cheques or EFT payments will be accepted. **The cut-off time for the purchasing and collection of tender documents shall be 14h00 on Friday, 02 February 2018.**

For any technical related enquiries, please contact Siphon Mngadi (Msunduzi Forestry Company) on Cellular No. 074 589 7362 or e-mail address sandile@msunduziforestry.co.za.

For any procurement related enquiries, please contact Vinay Mohanlal (Supply Chain Management Unit) on direct Telephone No. 033 – 392 2852 or e-mail address vinay.mohanlal@msunduzi.gov.za.

A compulsory Tender Briefing Meeting will be held on **Monday, 05 February 2018**, in the **Supply Chain Management Boardroom, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Centre, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg**, commencing promptly at **10h30**. Thereafter, all parties will travel in convoy to site for a Site Inspection. **Tenderers arriving at the meeting after the stipulated starting time above will be disqualified. Further, all Tenderers attending the meeting must be in possession of a complete tender document failing which the Tenderer shall be disqualified.** Only one representative per Company or Consortium will be allowed to attend the above meeting.

Tenders contained in sealed envelopes and marked with "**Contract No. SCM 48 of 17/18**" and the **Contract Description** must be placed in the Tender Box located in the Foyer, Ground Floor, City Hall, 169 Chief Albert Luthuli Street (formerly Commercial Road), Pietermaritzburg, 3201, not later than **12h00 on Monday, 19 February 2018**, when they will be publicly opened. Only tenders placed in the Tender Box shall be accepted.

Tender Validity Period: Three (3) months commencing from the closing date of tender.

Tender Adjudication/Evaluation Criteria: The tender shall be evaluated on a Two Stage Evaluation System – Stage One: Functionality and Stage Two: 80/20 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000. The Functionality for Stage One shall be evaluated on the following criteria:-

No.	Evaluation Criteria	Maximum Points
1.	Company Trading Experience (Silviculture)	15 Points
2.	Relevant Silviculture Work Experience of the Total Labour Force (Man Days)	15 Points
3.	Locality	15 Points
Total Functionality Points		45 Points
Threshold to Qualify for Stage Two		80% (50 Points)

The Msunduzi Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender. Each tenderer will be informed of the tender result.

The Msunduzi Municipality expects businesses within the Pietermaritzburg and Midlands Region to support its contract and BEE/SMME initiatives.

MR SIZWE HADEBE (ACTING CITY MANAGER)

TENDER NOTICE

SUPPLY AND SERVICES CONTRACT No. 23 OF 2018 – SECTION 3

APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SECURITY SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES AT CERTAIN MUNICIPAL FACILITIES AND PLACES OF WORK INCLUDING VIP PROTECTION

The Msunduzi Municipality hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified and experienced Service Providers for the above works. **Only Service Providers who are registered with the Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSIRA) will be considered for appointment.**

Tender documents will be available to tenderers from **14h00 on Tuesday, 23 January 2018**. Tender documents can be downloaded and printed at the tenderer's cost from the National Treasury e-Tender Publication Portal on www.etenders.gov.za. Printed copies of the tender documents shall also be available from 14h00 on Tuesday, 23 January 2018, from the Supply Chain Management Unit Offices, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Building, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, at a non-refundable tender deposit fee of R799.14 (including VAT) for each document drawn. Only cash, bank guaranteed cheques or EFT payments will be accepted.

For technical enquiries regarding the scope of works, please contact Ms. Priscilla Mahlaba on either Tel. No. 033 392 291 0 or e-mail: priscilla.mahlaba@msunduzi.gov.za

For Supply Chain Management related matters, please contact Vinesh Govender on either Tel. No. 033-392 202 7 or e-mail: vinesh.govender@msunduzi.gov.za

A compulsory Tender Briefing Meeting for the above project will be held at 10h00 prompt on Tuesday, 6 February 2018, in the Traffic and Security Department's Lecture Room, 21 Washington Road, Pietermaritzburg, 3201. Only one Tender Briefing Meeting will be held. An official will chair the meeting and answer queries raised by prospective Service Providers. Any amendment to the tender documentation arising from such answers will be circulated in terms of the meeting's attendance register. **Service Providers arriving at the meeting after the stipulated starting time will be disqualified. Service Providers attending the meeting must be in possession of a Tender Document failing which the Service Provider shall be disqualified. Service Providers producing only the Tender Briefing Certificate at the meeting will not be considered.** No Service Provider will be allowed to represent more than one (1) Company at the meeting. Only one representative per Company or Joint Venture or Consortium will be allowed to attend the above meeting.

No Tenderer will be allowed to purchase or collect tender documents after 14h00 on 5 February 2018, and the Msunduzi Municipality will not be held liable for any loss or damages sustained by the Tenderer in this regard.

Sealed tenders endorsed on the envelope **"Supplies and Services Contract No. 23 of 2018: Section 3 and the Contract Description"** must be placed in the Tender Box located in the Foyer, Ground Floor, City Hall, 169 Chief Albert Luthuli Street, Pietermaritzburg, not later than **12h00 on Tuesday, 20 February 2018**, when they will be opened in public. Only tenders placed in the tender box shall be accepted. Under no circumstances whatsoever will any extension of time be allowed for submission of tenders.

Tender Validity period: Three (3) months commencing from the closing date of the tender.

Tender Adjudication/Evaluation Criteria: The tender shall be evaluated on a Two Stage Evaluation System – Stage One: Functionality and Stage Two: 90/10 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000. The Functionality for Stage One shall be evaluated on the following criteria: -

Item	Functionality / Technical Criteria	Max Points
1.	Project Plan and Company Profile	15
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Plan The Service Provider understands Integrated Security Solution – Implementation Plan of Project and site specific work plan. To be submitted to claim points. Company to show capability to provide offsite monitoring solutions for alarms and CCTV monitoring. 	10 (5) (5)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company Profile of Company To include completed projects of a similar nature. 	5 (5)
2.	Experience in Security Environment	15
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bidder has a minimum of 5 (Five) years' experience in the security industry. 	(5)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bidder to provide 5 (Five) recent letters of references in similar projects successfully completed and to complete the Data Schedule for Previous Experience with two reference letters in respect of every Project that confirms that the company has experience in providing services. 	(10)
3.	Operational Plans	25
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patrol monitory system Strike Action and Riot Plan / Policy Crowd Control Plan / Policy Tactical Response Plan / Policy Firearm Control Plan / Policy and Firearm Armory in compliance with Firearms Control Act of 2000 	(5) (5) (5) (5) (5)
4.	Operation Capacity	20
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bidder must provide three CV's of key operational staff with relevant experience to manage this contract Company Organogram Provide a list of 5 armed security officers that are being currently provided to other clients by the bidder Security Officers Competency Certificates (Certified) (a total of 5) 	(5) (5) (5) (5)
5.	Control Room	4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fully operational control room situated within Msunduzi Municipality Control room to be 24 hours operational Control room should be according to PSIRA standards Control room should have Two-way Radio Base Station <p>An inspection of the bidder's premises will be done by the dedicated Municipal official(s) after the closing of the tender to ascertain the availability of the operational control room and statutory requirements of the bidder.</p>	(1) (1) (1) (1)
6.	Financial and Resources	10
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide 3 (Three) year's Annual Audited Financial Statements. 	5
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide a list of resources that belong to the company to be completed on the Schedule of Resources 	5
8.	Substation Electricity Proposal	5
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A proposal for an electronic solution to lock down all national key point facilities as well as electricity substations and to monitor same substations offsite 	5
TOTAL POINTS		94
MINIMUM THRESHOLD		70%

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SIZWE HADEBE (MUNICIPAL MANAGER)

isasasa kutshalwa isihlahla sokuqala ngqa

Kutshalwe isihlahla sokuqala ngqa kusuka amahlathi abuyela ku mbuso ngonyaka odlule.

UMasipala uMsunduzi utshale lezi zihlahla, emahlathini ase Chase Valley phakathi nenyanga kaJanuwari, ngemuva konyaka wathatha ukuwengamele njengoba ayephethwe iNatal Crop Timbers (NCT).

Isikhulu esiphezulu kwezamahlathi uSipho Mngadi (Interim Management at Msunduzi Forestry), uthe beqiwa isikhathi sokutshala ngonyaka odlule ngoba babemataza belungisa izinto ezincane njengoba bebethatha izintambo kwabakwa NCT.

“Sivunile kuphela ngonyaka odlule sase siyazilungiselela ukuthi sitshale kulonyaka. Sizotshala uwatela kanye nezinye izihlahla esilindele ukuthi zivunwe ngemuva kweminyaka eyishumi,” kusho uMngadi.

UMngadi uthe muningi umsebenzi owenziwayo maphakathi nokutshala nokuvuna, abavele batshale bese beyaziyeke izihlahla zizikhulele.

“Kunohlelo esilulandelayo phakathi kuleminyaka eyishumi ukuze zikhule kahle bese ziyadayiseka zenze umsebenzi. Ziyenza amaphepha, izigxobo zika gesi kanye nokunye okuningi. Ngesikhathi sekuvunwa, kudaleka amathuba omsebenzi amaningi emkhakheni eyahlukene,” kubeka uMngadi.

Uthe amahlathi angawaka masipala kusuka kudala, ngokuhamba kwaqashwa inkampani iNCT ukuba iwengamele, kodwa ke kufike isikhathi lapho kunqunywe ukuthi umasipala uzibambele wona mathupha.

Kanti nomphakathi nawo ungazivakashela uyozihokozisa nemndeneni yawo, kodwa, iziphathimandla zikubeke kwacaca ukuthi ukunquma izihlahla akuvumelekile kungukuphula umthetho. Abafuna izinkuni bavumelekile ukuthatha lezi eziwile, lezi ezisale kade kuvunwa, hhayi ukuthi bafike bazinqume, ngokwenza njalo bazobhekana nengalo yomthetho.

KUNCONYWE ABAFUNDI ABENZE KAHLE

UNETHEMBA lokuthi uzokwenza kahle ezifundweni ze -Metallurgical Engineering e-Wits University u-Anele Dladla (17) wase- Azalea ongomunye wabafundi akade beklonyeliswa ngokwenza kahle ezifundweni zabo ngonyaka odlule esikoleni samabanga aphakeme eNsikayethu High kamuva nje.

U – Anele obefunda ibanga likamatikuletsheni ngonyaka odlule uthole o- A abayisikhombisa benozakwabo u- Nondumiso Bhengu ezifundweni abebezenza .Kulomcimbi obubanjelwe emageckeni akulesikole u- Anele uhlomule ngezindondo ezingu – 8 kanti kuphinde kwaklonyeliswa nabafundi bakulamabanga amanye abenze kahle ezifundweni zabo bathola u- 75 kuya phezulu.

“Ngijabule kakhulu kanti futhi ngibonga umdali ngoba konke lokhu bengeke ngikwenze ngaphandle kwakhe. Into engayisho kozakwethu abenza amatikuletsheni ukuthi bangasebenzi ngokuzikhandla kodwa basebenze ngobuhlakani ukuze bakwazi ukwenza kahle ezifundweni zabo. Ngithanda ukubonga othisha bethu ngokudela isikhathi sabo basifundise nangamahora angeziwe, abazali ngokusiseka kanye naseProtec Saturday school,” kusho u-Anele.

Uthishanhloko wakulesikole uMnu Mluleki Dlamini uthe bakhethe ukwenza lomcimbi ngalolusuku ukuze abafundi bagququzeleke basebenze ngokuzikhandla. “Lokhu kuzokwenza babone ukuthi bangakwenza lokhu ngoba ukusebenza kanzima kuyakhokhela.Ukuqala manje kuzokwenza uphumelele,” kubeka uMnu Dlamini.

Ufihlwe ngesizotha owayeyikhansela



Uchazwe njengeqhawe elasebenza ngokuzinikela u-Alfred Muntu Zondi enkonzweni yomngcwabo eCity Hall ngeSonto maqede wayofihlwa emathuneni ase Mountain Rise. UNgqongqoshe wezokuThuthukiswa koMphakathi kuzwelonke, uBathabile Dlamini, ubengomunye wezikhulu zezombusazwe ebezihambele inkonzo yokufihla uZondi kanti bekukhona uNgqongqoshe wezeMfundo KwaZulu-Natal, uMthandeni Dlungwane, uSotswebhu kaMasipala uMsunduzi uTruman Magubane, oseyingqalabutho, kanye nabanye abaningi.

UDlamini, owazalelwa waphinde wakhulela elokishini lase Mbali, eMgungundlovu, uthe babebukela kubona oZondi kwezepolitiki bethola nezeluleko.

“Silapha ngoba siyamazi uComrade Alfred, uma kade usukhohliwe inqubo yehlangano yakho uzincinze uzibuze ukuthi kungani ngingasakwenzi lokhu.

Akukho lula ukuba inkokheli ngoba kufanele ukwazi ukuziphatha ngendlela i-ANC eqhuba ngayo,” kusho uDlamini.

Uncome igalelo lika Zondi ekusebenzeleni abantu kanye nehlangano ka khongolose kuze kube izinsuku zakhe zokugcina.

“Awafuneki amaqabane athi ehluliwe, aphume ayoqala inhlangano yawo. Siyajabula ukuthi kulengqungquthela esibuya kuyona akekho ophumile. Kungumsebenzi wethu sonke ukuqinisekisa ukuthi umzabalazo wamaqabane amadala awufi,” kubeka uDlamini.

UDlamini uthe umazi kakhulu uZondi kanye nomkakhe, wathi bebengakhetshi bala lamuntu.

“Bekuthi uma beyonikela ngeziphlo, ikakhulu kubantu abadala, ubengakhetshi abahamba nenhlangano ayisebenzelayo kuphela. Kodwa bebenikelela wonke umuntu okhona,” kuchaza uDlamini.



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THE MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY

TENDER NOTICE CONTRACT No. SCM 49 OF 17/18

APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF THREE HARVESTING CONTRACTORS (FELLING AND HAULING) FOR THE MSUNDUZI FORESTRY COMPANY

The Msunduzi Municipality hereby invites tenders from suitably experienced Contractors for the appointment of a panel of three (3) Harvesting Contractors (Felling and Hauling) for the Msunduzi Forestry Company.

Tender documents will be made available to tenderers from **12h00 on Wednesday, 24 January 2018**.

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Printed copies of the tender documents shall also be available from the Supply Chain Management Unit Offices, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Centre, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, as from the above-mentioned date and time, at a non-refundable tender deposit fee of **R799.14 (including VAT)** for each document drawn. Only cash, bank guaranteed cheques or EFT payments will be accepted. **The cut-off time for the purchasing and collection of tender documents shall be 14h00 on Tuesday, 06 February 2018.**

For any technical related enquiries, please contact Siphon Mngadi (Msunduzi Forestry Company) on Cellular No. 074 589 7362 or e-mail address sandile@msunduziforestry.co.za.

For any procurement related enquiries, please contact Vinay Mohanlal (Supply Chain Management Unit) on direct Telephone No. 033 – 392 2852 or e-mail address vinay.mohanlal@msunduzi.gov.za.

A compulsory Tender Briefing Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 07 February 2018**, in the **Supply Chain Management Boardroom, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Centre, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg**, commencing promptly at **10h30**. Thereafter, all parties will travel in convoy to site for a Site Inspection. **Tenderers arriving at the meeting after the stipulated starting time above will be disqualified. Further, all Tenderers attending the meeting must be in possession of a complete tender document failing which the Tenderer shall be disqualified.** Only one representative per Company or Consortium will be allowed to attend the above meeting.

Tenders contained in sealed envelopes and marked with **“Contract No. SCM 49 of 17/18”** and the **Contract Description** must be placed in the Tender Box located in the Foyer, Ground Floor, City Hall, 169 Chief Albert Luthuli Street (formerly Commercial Road), Pietermaritzburg, 3201, not later than **12h00 on Monday, 19 February 2018**, when they will be publicly opened. Only tenders placed in the Tender Box shall be accepted.

Tender Validity Period: Three (3) months commencing from the closing date of tender.

Tender Adjudication/Evaluation Criteria: The tender shall be evaluated on a Two Stage Evaluation System – Stage One: Functionality and Stage Two: 80/20 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000. The Functionality for Stage One shall be evaluated on the following criteria:-

No.	Evaluation Criteria	Maximum Points
1.	Company Trading Experience (Harvesting and Haulage)	40 Points
2.	Locality	30 Points
Total Functionality Points		70 Points
Threshold to Qualify for Stage Two		80% (56 Points)

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MR SIZWE HADEBE (ACTING CITY MANAGER)

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Amakhansela emkhankasweni wokukhuculula izikole



UKUZIMISELA ngokuthi izingane zingathikamezeki ngokuvulwa kwezikole amakhansela abe yingxeny yomkhankaso wokukhuculula izikole.

Lo mkhankaso uholele ekutheni kukhucululwe izikole zamabanga aphantsi, ukugwema ukuthi kulindiswe abafundi ngenxa yokungahlanzeki kwazo.

UThishanhloko wesikole okwafunda kuso iMeya yo Masipala uMsunduzi, iMzimba Primary School, ekwa Mnyandu, Elandskop, enabafundi ababalelwa kwabangu 400, uBheki Nkabini, uthe balandela uhlelo lwe-Health Promoting School (HPS), olugququzela ukuhlanzwa kwezikole. Uthe bacele imali kwisigungu sesikole yokuthi bathenge upende baqhakazise isikole.

“Sibe sesicela nakubuholi bendawo kwi khansela, ukonga imali, lasilekelela ngamavolontiya ka ANC okuyiwona esisebenza nawo namhlanje,” kuchaza uNkabini.

IMeya kaMasipala woMsunduzi,

uThemba Njilo, ubeyingxeny yalolu hlelo lokukhuculula isikole afunda kuso esiphinde sibe ngasemzini wakhe.

“Sizimisele ukuthi sikhuculule izikole ezinigi ngokohlelo lethuh. Siyajabula ukuthi izingane zethu ziphase kahle ngendlela encomekayo ngonyaka odlule. Sifuna zifice izikole zazo zizihle sezifunda. Ngifike la ngabona kutshaliwe izithelo ngase ngazikethela nami eyami indawo engizoyimela, ngitshale kuyona. Kuyimanje ngizoqala ukutshala izithelo,” kusho uNjilo.

Ikhansela le ndawo ka ward 5, uNathi Mbanjwa, uthe, “Kulonyaka sisebenza izikole zamabanga aphantsi ngoba ngodlule besikhuculula amabanga aphezulu. Lesi sikole sibaluleke kakhulu, sidala futhi sinomlando omkhulu sineminyaka engaphezu kweyi-100 sabakhona. Nami ngafunda la.”

UNjilo esegoqa, uthe, “Engathi zonke izikole zingakwazi ukuthi isikhala abanaso basisebenzise batshale izithelo ukuze bezokwazi ukuzenzela imali ngazo baphinde basize abafundi abantulayo.”

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THE MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY

TENDER NOTICE SPECIALISED CONTRACT No. SCM 52OF 17/18

APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS WITHIN THE MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY'S AREA OF JURISDICTION

The Msunduzi Municipality hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified and experienced Service Providers for the above works. **Only Service Providers have a CIDB Grading of 2EB/EP or higher and who are Level 1 and Level 2 B-BBEE Contributors will be considered for appointment.**

Tender documents will be available to tenderers from 14h00 on Wednesday, 24 January 2018. Tender documents can be downloaded and printed at the tenderer's cost from the National Treasury e-Tender Publication Portal on www.etenders.gov.za.

Printed copies of the tender documents shall also be available from 14h00 on Wednesday, 24 January 2018, from the Supply Chain Management Unit Offices, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Building, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, at a non-refundable tender deposit fee of R799.14 (including VAT) for each document drawn. Only cash, bank guaranteed cheques or EFT payments will be accepted.

For technical enquiries regarding the scope of works, please contact MandlaMakhoba on either Tel. No. 033 392 509 5 or e-mail: mandla.makhoba@msunduzi.gov.za

For Supply Chain Management related matters, please contact Vinesh Govender on either Tel. No. 033-392 2027 or e-mail: vinesh.govender@msunduzi.gov.za

A compulsory Tender Briefing Meeting for the above project will be held at 10h00 prompt on Friday, 9 February 2018, in the Transportation Boardroom, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Building, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, 3201. Only one Tender Briefing Meeting will be held. An official will chair the meeting and answer queries raised by prospective Service Providers. Any amendment to the tender documentation arising from such answers will be circulated in terms of the meeting's attendance register. **Service Providers arriving at the meeting after the stipulated starting time will be disqualified. Service Providers attending the meeting must be in possession of a Tender Document failing which the Service Provider shall be disqualified. Service Providers producing only the Tender Briefing Certificate at the meeting will not be considered.** No Service Provider will be allowed to represent more than one (1) Company at the meeting. Only one representative per Company or Joint Venture or Consortium will be allowed to attend the above meeting.

No Tenderer will be allowed to purchase or collect tender documents after 14h00 on 8 February 2018, and the Msunduzi Municipality will not be held liable for any loss or damages sustained by the Tenderer in this regard.

Sealed tenders endorsed on the envelope “Specialised Contract No. SCM 52of 17/18 and the Contract Description” must be placed in the Tender Box located in the Foyer, Ground Floor, City Hall, 169 Chief Albert Luthuli Street, Pietermaritzburg, not later than 12h00 on Friday, 23 February 2018, when they will be opened in public. Only tenders placed in the tender box shall be accepted. Under no circumstances whatsoever will any extension of time be allowed for submission of tenders.

Tender Validity period: Three (3) months commencing from the closing date of the tender.

Tender Adjudication/Evaluation Criteria: The tender shall be evaluated on a Two Stage Evaluation System – Stage One: Functionality and Stage Two: 80/20 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000.

The Functionality for Stage One shall be evaluated on the following criteria:-

Item	Functionality / Technical Criteria	Max Points
1.	COMPANY'S PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • > 5 years • > 3 ≤ 5 years • > 1 ≤ 3 years • ≤ 1 year 	15 points 10 points 5 points 0 points
2.	No. OF SPECIALIZED PROJECTS IN TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE	
	To qualify for points for completed specialized projects, details of work completed, value of work, name of referees and contact numbers to be provided with the tender document. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • > 5 projects • > 3 ≤ 5 projects • > 1 ≤ 3 projects • ≤ 1 project 	15 points 10 points 5 points 0 points
3.	STAFF ACCREDITATION	
	To qualify for points below, proof of accreditation in a form of a certificate for at least one of the traffic signals controller types listed below, should be attached 2 x staff members accredited for Siemens, Syntell and Tyco 1 x staff members accredited for Siemens, Syntell and Tyco No accreditation	20 points 10 points 0 points
4.	LOCALITY OF BUSINESS	
	Within Msunduzi Municipality Outside Msunduzi Municipality within KZN Outside KZN within South Africa	10 points 5 points 0 points
	TOTAL POINTS	60
	MINIMUM THRESHOLD	75%

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SIZWE HADEBE (ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER)



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Tatham Art Gallery

In keeping with Pietermaritzburg's self-styled role as a heritage city, one of its finest sights, the art gallery, was started in 1903 by Mrs Ada Tatham. Housed in the beautiful Old Supreme Court, it contains a fine collection of French and English 19th- and early-20th-century works.

The Tatham Art Gallery is one of the major art museums

in South Africa. Situated in Pietermaritzburg, the capital of KwaZulu-Natal, the Tatham Art Gallery serves the Msunduzi region through the Visual Arts.

The Tatham Art Gallery hosts a range of Art Exhibitions. These include travelling and researched exhibitions as well as exhibitions initiated by the Gallery based on art works in the permanent collection.

A major function of the Tatham Art Gallery is to display art. This is accomplished through the organizing and hosting of temporary exhibitions and ongoing changes in the permanent display areas.

The ground floor has abstract depictions of South Africa's people and street scenes. It's as if the country's history is either too painful or too complex to be

shown through realism. Upstairs is more formal, with portraits and landscapes sharing the wall space along with sculptures and colourful displays of ceramics and lithographs.

Café Tatham is situated on the first floor, and offers visitors to the Gallery a relaxing break. Patrons can also sit on the verandah, where they can enjoy a bird's eye view of the bustling

city centre. Delicious, freshly made tea time treats, the best cappuccino in town and light meals are available.

This is certainly one of the great city centre attractions worth visiting.

For more information contact: Msunduzi Pietermaritzburg Tourism on 033 3451348/9

Big boost for township cricket

PUPILS from Imbali township are a step closer to carving out their names in the game of cricket, thanks to the One Life Church that has created an environment where pupils can hone their skills.

The Church and other sponsors

have recently opened new cricket nets in the township to give youngsters an opportunity to shine in the sport. For the past three years the church has taken it upon itself to reach out to youngsters through an after-school programme involving a feeding

scheme and homework help.

Senior pastor at One Life Grant Crawford said the cricket initiative was an expansion of the outreach project.

"In doing this we had to canvass sponsors for cricket nets, and are very grateful for

the help of companies like Case Bella Home & Decor Centre and Scotty's Plant Hire," said Crawford. He hoped some future cricket stars would be incubated from the project.

KZN Inland Amateur Manager Jason Sathiaseelan commended

the initiative, saying grassroots cricket was pivotal in unearthing young talent. "This is an extremely important initiative. You have to have a foundation from which talent can be nurtured," he said.



Jason Sathiaseelan of KZN Inland helps officiate the official opening of cricket nets at the One Life church in Imbali on January 24

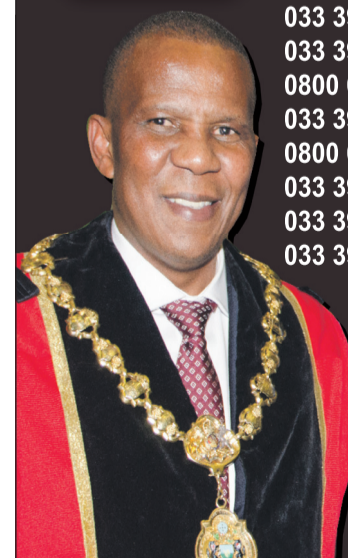
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MSUNDUZI SPORTS

2018 Comrades Marathon Route Changes



Msunduzi Traffic assisting during the Comrades route measurement for the 2018 down run

The official distance of the 2018 Comrades Marathon as well as changes to the route have been confirmed by the Comrades Marathon Association (CMA). CMA Race Director, Rowyn James says, "The officially measured and certified distance for this year's Down Run is 90,184km."

The 2018 Comrades Down Run will be slightly longer than the previous Down Run route. The 2016 route was 89,208km."

James has advised that some changes will be effected from

the Start at the Pietermaritzburg City Hall. He says, "On race day, our runners will start their epic Down Run journey at the City Hall, running down Chief Albert Luthuli Street, heading east. From there they will continue along Alan Paton Avenue and then contraflow onto the N3 national freeway. From there, they will glide off right onto the Market Road on ramp and then left onto the slip road to CB Downes Road and then follow the traditional Comrades route towards Polly Shortts and onwards to Durban."

James continues, "Regarding

the route into Durban, athletes will follow the N3 under the Tollgate Bridge and then take the new fly-over into David Webster Street which becomes Bram Fischer Road. From there, our runners will turn left into Samora Machel Road which then becomes Masabalala Yengwa Avenue."

James concludes, "Runners will then run contraflow in Masabalala Yengwa Avenue and cross to the north bound lane at Battery Beach Road. They will then take the pathway to the left between the bollards, pass the Virgin Active Gym and turn left

into the tunnel before Nino's and onto the field to the Finish Line at the Moses Mabhida Stadium."

As per the Safety at Sports and Recreational Events Act 2010, James has also confirmed that the new finish at Moses Mabhida Stadium aligns with the requirements of the Events Act which necessitated the move to this iconic Durban landmark."

James has thanked the eThekweni Metro Police and Msunduzi Traffic Police for providing escorts to ensure the safety of the route course measurer, saying, "We are

working closely with all traffic and law enforcement officials to ensure the safety and integrity of the event."

James adds, "Working with the officials at the Moses Mabhida Stadium has been a pleasure. We look forward to ensuring a great race day for both our runners and spectators on Sunday, 10 June 2018."

For more detailed information and maps of the changes to the start and finish of the route, please visit the Comrades Marathon website: www.comrades.com

New recruits for stronger Team of Choice

Maritzburg United coach Fadlu Davids has used the January transfer period to lure Bokang Thlone as the Team of Choice looks to consolidate its position in the top eight.

Thlone was brought to Maritzburg from Bidvest Wits in a swap deal involving Denis Weidlich. In addition to the left back, the team has also promoted midfielders Ujaun McDonald and Lindokuhle Sithole from their development ranks.

"Getting in a left-footer in Thlone gives us a bit more balance in our thinking and flexibility," said Davids on the club's website.

Bokang is an attacking full-back known for his overlapping runs and is expected to add further strength both in defence and attack and will help fill the void left by Ruben Cloete who left the team in 2014. It has been a season of mixed fortunes for the Team of Choice, but overall, head coach Davids

is satisfied with the direction his squad are headed in.

Maritzburg were 3-0 victors over Free State Stars last time out, are fifth on the Premiership table with 28 points from 19 matches and look set for a top five finish in the 2017/2018 season which will be their best position.

