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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

Wednesday, 2 June 2021 (at 09:00) Council Chambers Robertson

PRESENT:

Democratic Alliance

Maseko, LM (Chairperson)
America, D
Van der Westhuizen, AP

African National Congress

Marran, P (Alternative member)

Apologies

Herron, B (GOOD)
LIII, A (ANC)

The following persons were in attendance:

Langeberg Municipality

Mr A de Klerk, Municipal Manager
Mr M Mgajo, Director: Community Services
Mr M Johnson, Director: Engineering Services
Ms Z Samuels, Senior clerk: Community services
Ms H Jeneke, Senior clerk: Community services

Langeberg Councillors

(Please refer to the attached attendance register for the list of attendees)

Department of Human Settlements

Ms J Samson, Head of Department
Mr N Adriaanse, Director: Communication and Stakeholder Relations
Mr B Nkosi, Director: Strategic Support

Ms P Masiko-Kambala, Acting Chief Director: Planning
Mr P Klaassen, Regional Manager
Mr A Raatz, Project Manager
Mr L Welgemoed, Regional Planner

Western Cape Provincial Parliament Officials

Ms S Jones, Procedural Officer
Ms N Nshumpela, Committee Assistant

1. Opening and welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all in attendance and allowed members, municipal officials, Councillors and departmental officials to introduce themselves.

2. Briefing by the Langeberg Municipality

The Langeberg Municipality briefed the Committee on the current status of the Housing Demand Database for the various towns that fall under the Municipality. In addition hereto, they elaborated on how the Housing Demand Database was updated according to the beneficiary needs. Further discussions were held on the challenges experienced when implementing housing projects and on the housing business plans/projects in the pipeline including the geographical locations of those projects.

The Committee deliberated on the presentation by the Langeberg Municipality.

3. Briefing by the Department of Human Settlements

The Department briefed the Committee on the human settlements allocations for the past five years including the allocation for the 2021/22 financial year. They elaborated on the housing projects implemented for the various towns that fall under the Municipality and made specific reference to the challenges experienced in Strydom Street and Pienaar Street. Further discussions were held on the mixed housing typologies for each of the projects and the geographical locations of the projects.

The Committee deliberated on the presentation by the Department of Human Settlements.

The Chairperson expressed her appreciation to the members, the Provincial Department of Human Settlements, the officials of the municipality, the councillors as well as the Western Cape Provincial Parliament officials for their contributions to the success of the meeting.

4. Resolutions/Actions

4.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Langeberg Municipality provide it with:

- 4.1.1 A report on the date that beneficiaries in McGregor received their houses and whether they had received their title deeds; and**
- 4.1.2 A report on the rules/strategies applied by the municipality when selecting beneficiaries for a specific housing project.**

4.2 The Committee RESOLVED to request that it be invited to municipal council meetings, specifically when discussions are held on municipal business plans.

- 4.3 The Committee RECOMMENDED that the Department conduct a workshop with the municipality to discuss its policies and its municipal business plans. In addition hereto, the municipality must establish whether housing typologies that will be implemented correlates with the needs/requirements of the specific area and indicate whether the project provides a housing opportunity for the beneficiaries listed in the Housing Demand Database according to their age.
- 4.4 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department:
- 4.4.1 Brief it on the strategies that will be implemented to upgrade the houses in Strydom and Pienaar Street and provide the measures that will be implemented to upgrade the houses with structural defects;
 - 4.4.2 Provide it with a report that specifies which potential informal settlement project, if any, have been earmarked for upgrading will benefit from the Informal Settlement Grant. Further hereto, the Department must provide the names of the informal settlements that qualified to receive the Grant;
 - 4.4.3 Provide it with processes that will be implemented to provide title deeds to the beneficiaries who have received service sites; and
 - 4.4.4 Provide it with the Departments training plans for new councillors admitted after the 27 October 2021 municipal elections, with specific reference to mayoral committee members responsible for Human Settlements.
- 4.5 The Committee REQUESTED that the South African Local Government Association provide it with a report on the processes implemented to train new councillors.

The Committee adjourned at 12:00.



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MS LM MASEKO (MPP)

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

DATE:.....

18/08/2021