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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 13 September 2017 (14h00), Chamber

PRESENT

African Christian Democratic Party

Christians, FC (Chairperson)

African National Congress

Beerwinkel, CF (Alternate) Tyatyam, SG

Democratic Alliance

Joseph, D Maseko, LM Mitchell, DG Wiley, MGE (Alternate)

Additional Member:

Simmers, TA (DA)

Apology:

Mr D Plato Minister: Community Safety

The following persons were in attendance:

Guests

Mr M Fransman, former Minister for Transport and Public Works

Adv T Giliomee, former Chief Executive Officer for the Western Cape Liquor Authority

Auditor-General of South Africa

Ms S Adams, Business Executive

Mr S Ndwandwa, Deputy Business Executive

Ms R Samuels, Manager

Ms M Joffee, Senior Manager

Ms W Saib, Senior Manager

Mr G v/d Hoven, Senior Liaison Manager

Department of Community Safety

Mr G Morris, Head of Department

Department of the Premier

Ms H Robson, Deputy Director-General

Ms W Hansby, Director

Western Cape Liquor Authority

Dr L Mdunyelwo, Chief Executive Officer

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed all in attendance.

2. Discussion on the Report of the Auditor-General of South Africa on a performance audit of the use of consultants at selected departments of the Western Cape Provincial Government (January 2014).

The Committee engaged Mr M Fransman on the contents of the Report of the Auditor-General of South Africa on a performance audit of the use of consultants at selected departments of the Western Cape Provincial Government (January 2014).

3. Briefing by the Auditor-General of South Africa on the allegations of irregular expenditure at the Western Cape Liquor Authority regarding the refurbishment and fitting out of the Sunbel Building.

The Chairperson requested that the briefing of the Auditor-General of South Africa be held in-camera, based on the request for the meeting to be held in-camera by the Office of the Auditor-General.

Messers Saib and Adams briefed the Committee on the aforementioned subject matter.

The Committee deliberated on the contents of the briefing.

4. Discussion on the allegations of irregular expenditure at the Western Cape Liquor Authority regarding the refurbishment and fitting out of the Sunbel Building.

The Committee engaged the Department of Community Safety by enquiring whether disciplinary proceedings were/are underway against the individuals who are implicated in the forensic audit reports as per the aforementioned subject matter.

The Department indicated that the Provincial Forensic Unit is currently busy undertaking an investigation to determine whether the individuals who are implicated in the forensic audit reports, on the aforementioned subject, have personally benefitted from the alleged irregular expenditure.

Based on the Department's response, the Committee RESOLVED not to engage the individual who was highlighted in the forensic audit reports, as it could potentially have a negative impact on any inter-departmental proceedings against the individual.

5. Resolutions/Actions

5.1 On matter of the Committee's engagement with Mr Fransman on the Report of the Auditor-General of South Africa on a performance audit of the use of consultants at selected departments of the Western Cape Provincial Government (January 2014), Mr D Joseph proposed that: the DA component of the Public Accounts Committee be allowed to meet and submit a resolution at the Public Accounts Committee meeting, which is scheduled for 27 September 2017.

Member Tyatyam introduced a counter-proposal that: The matter be concluded as the Department of Transport and Public Works satisfactorily answered all the queries of the Committee regarding contents of the Report of the Auditor-General of South Africa on a performance audit of the use of consultants at selected departments of the Western Cape Provincial Government (January 2014).

Motion of Mr Joseph put, and the Committee divided.

AYES- 3: Joseph, D; Maseko, LM; Mitchell, DG.

NOES-1: Tyatyam, SG.

Proposal of Mr Joseph agreed to and counter- proposal of Mr Tyatyam dropped (with dissent from Mr Tyatyam and Ms Beerwinkel).

The Chairperson, Mr Christians, abstained on the proposal and counter-proposal that were put by members Joseph and Tyatyam.

5.2 The Committee further RESOLVED that the Department of Community Safety supplies it with any reports on the inter-departmental forensic audit reports, including investigations that pertain to the allegations of irregular expenditure at the Western Cape Liquor Authority regarding the refurbishment and fitting out "furnishing" of the Sunbel Building, as soon as these are finalised.

6. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Committee Minutes of 30 August 2017

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Minutes of the meeting that was held on 30 August 2017, which was considered and adopted.

Having concluded its business for the day, the meeting adjourned at 17h30.

MR FC CHRISTIANS, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Date: