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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

Tuesday, 17 February 2015 (at 14:00) in Committee Room 2

PRESENT:

Members

Democratic Alliance

Maseko, LM (Chairperson) Hinana, N

African National Congress

Magaxa, K

Economic Freedom Fighters

Paulsen, MN

Additional Member

Ms T Dijana, ANC

The following officials were in attendance:

Department of Human Settlements

Ms J Samson, Chief Director: Human Settlement Planning Mr B Mgubuza, Deputy Director: Stakeholder Relations Mr K Montshiza, Deputy Director: Stakeholder Relations Mr A Hazell, Acting Director: Information Management

Mr R Smith, Director: Grant and Municipal Performance Management

The City of Cape Town

Mr M Pluke, Manager: Disaster Risk Management

Mr J Gerber, Manager: Informal Settlements Urbanisation

Apologies

Mr B Madikizela, Minister: Human Settlements

Mr T Mguli, Head of Department: Human Settlements

Mr R Rughubar, Chief Director: Human Settlement Implementation

Ms B Schäfer, Member, (DA)

1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all in attendance.

2. Briefing by the City on its land development road map related to informal settlements

Mr Gerber briefed the Committee on the City's land development road map related to informal settlements. He further elaborated on the measures that were put in place to ensure, that the Thabo Mbeki Informal settlement would not be prone to future flooding. In addition hereto they enlarged on their development plans and strategies that they implemented and will implement, which relates to other informal settlements, where flooding or other legacy problems have been identified. This they indicated will ensure that residents remain in the area in which they have settled.

The Committee deliberated.

3. Briefing by the City on its Disaster Risk Management Strategy

Mr Pluke briefed the Committee on the City's Disaster Risk Management Strategies to reduce the occurrence and spread of fires in informal settlements and backyard dwellings. The draft strategy intends to provide a platform or framework for line departments and stakeholders to adopt short, medium and long term interventions to address the above issues.

The Committee deliberated.

4. Resolutions/Actions

4.1 The Committee RECOMMENDED that:

The City consider revising its emergency preparedness rescue services contact number so that one number could be used on all communication devices. This would ensure that the number is simple and memorable for all age groups and would therefore reduce emergency response time in cases of emergency.

4.2 The Committee REQUESTED the City:

To provide the Committee with an update on the status of the de-proclamation of the Nature Reserve in Green Parks, in order to provide basic services in terms of flood prevention to the community who resides there.

4.3 The Committee RESOLVED:

To invite external service providers specialising in alternative building material, to brief the Committee on their products.

5. Consideration of Committee Documents

5.1 Consideration and adoption of draft Committee Minutes dated 3 February 2015

The Chairperson submitted the draft Committee Minutes which was considered and adopted.

5.2 Consideration and adoption of draft Committee Minutes dated 10 February 2015

The Chairperson submitted the draft Committee Minutes which was considered.

5.3 Consideration and adoption of draft Committee Programme

The Chairperson submitted the draft Committee Programme which was considered and adopted.

Meeting Committee adjourned at 16:04.

MS LM MASEKO (MPP)

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

DATE: 04/03/2015