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Western Cape Provincial Parliament
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Thursday, 26 October 2017 (at 08:00), Chamber, 6th Floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town

PRESENT

Members

Democratic Alliance

Hinana, NE
Simmers, TA (Acting Chairperson)

African National Congress

Dyantyi, R

Alternate

Shäfer, BA (DA)

Additional Member

Olivier, RT (ANC)

Apology

Mnqasela, M (Chairperson)

The following persons were in attendance:

Department of Local Government

See attached attendance register.

South African Local Government Association: Western Cape (SALGA)

Mr A Joseph, Adviser

1. Election of Chairperson

Due to the absence of the Chairperson the Committee Co-ordinator, Mr J Coetzee, informed the Committee that in accordance with the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Standing Rule 77(2) the Committee would proceed to the election of an Acting Chairperson.

Ms Schäfer moved: That Mr Simmers be elected as Acting Chairperson.

No further nominations were received.

Motion agreed to.

2. Opening and Welcome

The Acting Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the Members of the Committee, the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, Head of Department and the departmental officials.

3. Discussion of the Annual Report of the Department of Local Government for the 2016/17 financial year

The Minister and Head of Department provided a brief overview of the Annual Report of the Department, focussing on the highlights and challenges in the 2016/2017 financial year.

The Committee proceeded to a discussion on Part A: General Information, Part B: Performance Information and Part D: Human Resource Management of the Annual Report.

The Committee deliberated.

4. Resolutions/Actions

4.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department provide it with the following:

4.1.1 A list of the training modules councillors attended as part of the Department's Capacity Building Programme for newly elected councillors;

4.1.2 A progress report on the performance of ward committees and the mechanisms put in place by the Department to monitor their performance;

4.1.3 A breakdown of the 11 867 work opportunities created through the Community Work Programme in Municipalities;

4.1.4 A demonstration on the Citizen Participation Application;

4.1.5 A briefing on the Department's organisational structure and the status of the restructuring project. The CSC to attend this briefing; and

4.1.6 A briefing on the e-Citizen and e-Governance strategy and how it impacts on the operations of the Department.

The Acting Chairperson thanked the Department for their preparation and responses to the questions posed by the Committee members.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'T. Simmers', written over a circular stamp or seal.

MR T SIMMERS, MPP

ACTING CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Date: 21/11/2017