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MEETING MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE PREMIER AND CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS Tuesday, 18 May 2021 15h30 – 18h00 Hybrid meeting via MS Teams & the Dial Rock Hall, Albatros Street, Saldanha

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Mackenzie (Chairperson) Philander, W Allen, R

African National Congress Dugmore, C

Alternate Member

Mitchell, D (DA)

Additional Member

Brinkhuis, G (Al Jama-ah)

Apology

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The following persons were in attendance:

Department of the Premier Ms C Williams, State Law Advisor

Department of the Environmental Affairs and Development Planning Mr A Mohammed, Deputy Director

Members of the Public See attached list of public attendance

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Ms W Achmat, Procedural Officer Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer Ms M Motsapi, Committee Assistant Mr A Barends, Clerk/Driver Mr M Issel, Clerk/Driver Mr W Naidoo, Administrator

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the Committee members and the members of the public.

The Chairperson informed the members of the public that the Committee advertised in the Argus, Burger, Vukani, George Herald, Mossel Bay Advertiser, Knysna/Plett Herald. All mayors offices, municipal managers, speakers, MOD Centres, Thusong centres, community development workers and universities were also informed. The Public Outreach and Education unit informed the public using its stakeholder database and the Committee advertised on DearSA's database with an estimate of 1 million stakeholders.

2. Briefing by the Department of the Premier and the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning on the Constitution of the Western Cape First Amendment Bill [B 1-2021]

The officials from the Departments briefed the Members of the public on the subject at hand.

The Chairperson opened the floor for questions of clarity on the presentation and input on the Bill.

3. Public hearing on the Constitution of the Western Cape First Amendment Bill [B 1-2021]

The public was given an opportunity to provide input on the Bill. Members from the public queried on the Bill, where the Department replied.

The Chairperson opened the floor for any further questions or inputs.

Three members of the public gave input on the Bill.

4. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED:

- 4.1 To invite the National Department of Environmental Affairs to brief the Committee on the draft Climate Change Bill;
- 4.2 To hold additional public hearings in the West Coast, Central Karoo area and Sandvlei in the Metro;
- 4.3 That the Public Education Outreach office visit the areas where the Committee will hold public hearings at least three/four days before the date identified by the Committee. The Committee felt that the members of the public should be educated on the Bill and informed about all hearings.
- 4.4 That the Administration assists members of the public who requested to join the upcoming virtual public hearings with data; as done at past hearings when transport

was arranged for the public to attend in person. The ICT office should advise as to how much data is needed for the public to stay online for the duration of the public hearing.

The meeting adjourned at 17h46.

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MR R MACKENZIE, MPP CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE PREMIER AND CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS DATE: 2 June 2021