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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Tuesday, 17 August 2021 (at 09:00), Virtual: MS Teams

PRESENT

Members

Democratic Alliance

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

Economic Freedom Fighters

Makamba-Botya, N

Alternate

Marran, P (ANC)

The following persons were in attendance:

Office of the Auditor-General

Mr A Olkers, Acting Business Unit Leader
Mr G van der Hoven, Stakeholder Liaison Manager
Mr W Heynes, Acting Deputy Business Unit Leader
Ms L Klue, Acting Deputy Business Unit Leader
Mr R Venter, Technical Senior Manager
Mr S Hariparsad, Technical Senior Manager
Mr Z Mvimbeli, Stakeholder Liaison Manager's Office

Mr T Mohlomi, Stakeholder Liaison Manager's Office

Depart of Local Government

Ms E Barnard, Chief Director: Municipal Performance, Monitoring and Support

Dr S Greyling, Director: Municipal Support and Capacity Building

South African Local Government Association

Mr L Njamela, Intergovernmental Relations and Strategic Relations

Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Mr J Vermeulen, Senior Procedural Officer Mr J Coetzee, Procedural Officer Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant Ms S Hassam, ICT Support

1. Opening and welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the members and the officials.

2. Briefing by the Auditor-General on the Local Government Audit Outcomes of Municipalities in the Western Cape for the 2019/20 financial year and the Third Special Report on Financial Management of Government's COVID-19 Initiatives in Municipalities

Mr Olkers briefed the Committee on the Audit Outcomes of Municipalities in the Western Cape for the 2019/20 financial year and the Third Special Report on Financial Management of Government's COVID-19 Initiatives in Municipalities

The Committee deliberated.

3. Resolutions/Actions

- 3.1 The Committee REQUESTED that:
- 3.1.1 The Department provide it with a breakdown, per municipality, for the past five years of the money paid by the Department to the Auditor-General for Audits;
- 3.1.2 The Auditor-General provide the Committee with a breakdown per municipality of the cost of consultants utilised to compile the financial statements for municipalities; and
- 3.1.3 The Auditor-General provide the Committee with a breakdown per municipality of the irregular expenditure at municipalities for the past three financial years.
- 3.2 The Committee RESOLVED to engage with the Department of Local Government and the municipalities, which, in light of the Audit Outcomes, regressed as well as with the City of Cape Town on the Covid-19 Municipal Relief Funding specifically the excessive/inflated prices paid for the Strandfontein temporary shelter as highlighted in the Auditor-Generals presentation.

4. Adoption of Draft Committee Minutes

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Minutes of 3 August 2021, which were considered and adopted.

5. Adoption of First Quarterly Report (April 2021 – June 2021)

The Chairperson submitted the First Quarterly Report, which was considered and adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 11:23.

MR D AMERICA, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT