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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM

Friday, 18 March 2022 (09h00), Virtual via MS Teams

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Bosman, G (Chairperson) America, D Wenger, M (Alternate)

African National Congress

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Apologies

Makamba-Botya, N (EFF) Mackenzie, R (DA)

The following persons were in attendance:

Ministry of Finance and Economic Opportunities

Mr D Maynier, Minister: Finance and Economic Opportunities

Department of Economic Development and Tourism

Mr S Fourie, Head of Department Ms J Johnston Deputy Director-General Mr R Toefy, Deputy Director-General Ms M Abrahams, Chief Financial Officer Ms H Davies, Chief Director Mr A Trikam, Director Mr R Tshikalanke, Director Mr T Parle, Chief Director Ms B Mpahlaza-Schiff, Chief Director Mr Herman Jonker, Director Mr A Allie, Assistant Director Mr F Abrahams, Director Ms C Julies, Director Mr A Searle, Director Ms F Dharsey, Director Mr J Wolmarans, Director Mr N Joseph, Chief Director Ms M Parker, Director Ms I van Schalkwyk, Chief Director Mr J Arnold, Deputy Director Mr J Peters, Chief Director Ms M Ellis, Director Mr G Steyn, Acting Director Mr R Le Breton, Deputy Director Mr H Matakane, Chief Director Ms P Moodley, Assistant Director

Wesgro

Ms W Stander, Chief Executive Officer Ms K Zama, Chief Financial Officer Ms J Twynam, Acting Chief Strategy Officer Ms Monika Luel, Chief Marketing Officer

Saldanha Bay IDZ Licencing Company

Ms K Beukes, Chief Executive Officer Mr D Southgate, Chief Operating Officer Mr H Boneschans, Chief Financial Officer Ms D Manuel, Executive: Stakeholder Relations Ms P Lakabane, Executive: Development Programmes

Atlantis Special Economic Zone

Dr P Voges, Chief Executive Officer Ms W Saib, Chief Financial Officer

Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer Ms M Motsapi, Committee Assistant

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson opened the meeting and expressed condolences and heartfelt wishes, on behalf of the Committee, to Wesgro and the family of Mr Mike Spicer, the Chairperson of the Wesgro Board, who passed away recently. The Chairperson noted the contribution that Mr Spicer made to Wesgro and the Western Cape economy overall. The Chairperson noted that Mr Spicer was a towering figure in the business world and his presence would be sorely missed.

The Chairperson allowed brief introductions by the Minister and the Head of Department ahead of the deliberations on Vote 12: Department of Economic Development and Tourism in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2-2022].

2. Consideration of Vote 12: Department of Economic Development and Tourism in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2–2022]

The Minister and Head of Department, gave introductory remarks on the budget for Vote 12: Department of Economic Development and Tourism and made a presentation on the Vote.

The Committee proceeded to a discussion on Vote 12.

The Committee deliberated and engaged the Department on Vote 12. The Chairperson thanked the Minister and Department for its preparation and responses to the questions raised by the Committee members.

The Chairperson noted that there were no questions or comments from the public.

Thereafter, on conclusion of the deliberations on the Vote, the Chairperson noted that the Committee supported Vote 12: Department of Economic Development and Tourism, in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill, and that the African National Congress expressed its minority view, in accordance with Standing Rule 90, to not support the Vote.

3. Consideration and Adoption of the Draft Committee Report on Vote 12: Department of Economic Development and Tourism in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2–2022]

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

4. Resolutions/Actions

- 4.1 The Committee RESOLVED the following:
- 4.1.1 To send a condolence card to Mr Mike Spicer's family;
- 4.1.2 To request a gift from the Western Cape Provincial Parliament to give to Mr S Fourie, who would be retiring from his position as the Head of the Department of Economic Development and Tourism at the end of March 2022;
- 4.1.3 To invite the Department of Economic Development and Tourism to brief the Committee on the Enterprise Development Programme, particularly around the work done in the informal sector; and
- 4.1.4 To invite the Saldanha Bay IDZ Licencing Company and the Atlantis Special Economic Zone to brief the Committee on the work they have done in their sectors so far.

4.2 The Committee REQUESTED that the Department of Economic Development and Tourism provides the Committee with bi-monthly updates on its skills development initiatives and opportunities for youth. This update should be in the form of a brief report and should also capture the successes and challenges encountered in respect of these initiatives. The first report should be submitted by close of business on the last working day of July 2022. Thereafter, updates are to be provided bi-monthly.

The meeting adjourned at 11h45.

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MR G BOSMAN, MPP CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM DATE: 6 July 2022