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STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Thursday, 16 March 2023 (at 08:00), Committee room 2, 4th floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town

PRESENT

Members

Democratic Alliance

Sileku, I (Chairperson)
Murray, C
Maseko, LM

African National Congress

Dugmore, CM
Mvimbi, LL (Additional)

Economic Freedom Fighters

Klaas, TM

The following persons were in attendance:

Department of Local Government

Mr A Bredell, Minister for Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning
Mr G Pause, Head of Department
Mr A Dlwengu, Director: Policy and Strategic Support
Ms A Jacobs, Deputy Director, Management Accounting
Ms N Zamxaka, Chief Director: Integrated Service Delivery
Ms E Barnard, Chief Director: Municipal Performance Monitoring and Support
Mr C Deiner, Chief Director: Disaster Management and Fire Services
Mt M Pretorius, Director
Mr M Brand, Director: Municipal Infrastructure
Mr K Makan: Director Municipal Governance
Mr S Carstens, Director: Disaster Risk Reduction

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Mr J Coetzee, Procedural Officer
Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant

1. Opening and welcome

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

2. Deliberation on Vote 14: Local Government, in the Schedule to the Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2022/23 Financial Year), 2023

The Department briefed the Committee on Vote 14 in the Schedule to the Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2022/23 Financial Year) [B 1–2023] highlighting the adjustments to its budget allocations.

The Committee deliberated.

3. Deliberation on Vote 14: Local Government, in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill, 2023

The Department briefed the Committee on Vote 14 in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B2–2023] highlighting its budget allocations.

The Committee deliberated.

4. Consideration and adoption of the Committee Reports on Vote 14: Local Government in the Schedule to the Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2022/23 Financial Year) [B 1–2023] and the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2–2023]

The Chairperson submitted a Draft Report on Vote 14 in the Schedule to the Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2022/23 Financial Year) [B 1–2023] and a Draft Report on Vote 14 in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2–2023], after which the Committee supported the Votes in both Schedules and adopted the Reports. In accordance with Standing Rule 90, the African National Congress expressed its minority view that it did not support the Vote.

5. Resolutions

The Committee RESOLVED that it would in future invite the Department to brief the Committee on:

- 5.1 The R6 370 million allocated over the MTEF for research, policy and legislation development and support services to traditional councils to facilitate the implementation of the Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Act;
- 5.2 The assistance to municipalities as an emergency response to mitigate the impact of the prolonged loadshedding on municipal water and sanitation services in the province and to prevent a total black out.

6. Information Requested

The Committee REQUESTED that the Department provides it with:

- 6.1 A report on the resignation of the Municipal Manager and the status of the forensic investigation at the Matzikama Municipality;

- 6.2 A report on councillors' attendance of council meetings at the Cederberg Municipality and whether any councillor was absent for more than three consecutive days;
- 6.3 A report on the all the appointments that were made during the past two financial years at the Knysna Municipality and the status of all current litigation at the Municipality;
- 6.4 A report on any sexual harassment charges at Knysna Municipality and whether the Speaker at the Municipality initiated any investigation;
- 6.5 A report on their involvement to resolve the dispute at the CP Nel Museum at Oudtshoorn;
- 6.6 A list of all internal and external legal advisors that assisted the Department over the past financial year with legal matters;
- 6.7 A list of all the municipalities and District Municipalities MPAC Chairpersons and the political party that they belong too;
- 6.8 A report on the Municipal Energy Resilience Plan, the involvement of the Department of Economic Development and the amount of money that was spent on the plan and the progress thus far;
- 6.9 Detailed information regarding the roving generators that will be moving between municipalities, the running cost of these generators, the municipalities that are being assisted, in the event of competing demands for the generators the plan to resolve this and whether any other Departments are involved in the project; and
- 6.10 Detail regarding the municipalities requesting support in accordance with Section 154 of the Constitution, what support was requested, did the relevant Councils took resolutions in this regard and what is the status of the support plans.

The meeting adjourned at 10:38.

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MR I SILEKU, MPP
CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT