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# **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

Tuesday, 4 April 2023 (at 09:00) Chamber

### PRESENT:

### **Members**

### **Democratic Alliance**

Maseko, L (Chairperson) Sileku, I America, D (Alternative)

## **African National Congress**

Maran, P (Alternative)

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## Apologies

Murray, C (DA) Lili, A (ANC) Mr Simmers, Minister: Infrastructure

### Persons who were in attendance

### National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure

Ms N Mhlongo, Deputy Director General: Policy, Research and Regulation Mr J Lekala, Deputy Director: Policy, Research and Regulation

#### **Department of Infrastructure**

Ms J Gooch, Head of Department: Transport and Public Works Ms P Masiko-Kambala, Director: Policy and Research Ms O Kama, Assistant Director: Policy and Research

#### State Law Advisors

Ms A Vosloo, Principal State Law Adviser Mr N Dias, State Law Adviser

#### Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Mr M Odendal, Communication and Information Adv. R Maasdorp, Legal Advisor Ms N Visser, Researcher Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant Mr J Vermeulen, Senior Procedural Officer Mr K Mkunyana, Public Education Outreach Officer

#### Member of the public

Mr Y Rhodes, member of the public

#### **Parliamentary Monetary Group**

Ms P Mokorotlo, Monitor

### 1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all in attendance.

# 2. Briefing by the national Department of Transport, Public Works and Infrastructure on the Expropriation Bill [B 23B-2020] (NCOP)

The national Department of Transport, Public Works and Infrastructure (the national Department) provided the Committee with an overview of the Expropriation Bill [B 23B-2020] and the Expropriation process in terms of the Bill.

The reasons for the amendments to the Expropriation Act (Act 63 of 1975) was explained, followed by a clause-by-clause discussion on the proposed amendments.

Mr Maasdorp advised that the Bill was a framework for organs of state to deal with expropriation. No irregularities were noted with the Bill in its current state. He advised the Committee to take cognisance of the budget and the time within which the Committee must finalise the public hearings for the Bill.

Ms Vosloo alluded to the fact that the national Department did not respond to the written comments provided the Premier in Feb 2021 on the Bill. A request was made that the written comments be escalated to the Committee.

# 3. Recommendations/Actions

The Committee, having considered the presentation and input from the National Department of Transport, Public Works RESOLVED that:

- 3.1 It would follow and active public participation process that would consist of public hearings as well as written submissions to the Committee from affected stakeholders;
- 3.2 It would conduct 18 public hearings in each of the following regions:
- 3.2.1 Knysna and Plettenberg Bay
- 3.2.2 George;
- 3.2.3 Mossel Bay;
- 3.2.4 Oudtshoorn;
- 3.2.5 Hessequa;
- 3.2.6 Swellendam;
- 3.2.7 Overstrand and Theewaterskloof
- 3.2.8 Breede Valley;
- 3.2.9 Prince Albert and Laingsburg;
- 3.2.10 Beaufort West;
- 3.2.11 Cederberg;
- 3.2.12 Matzikama;
- 3.2.13 Saldanha Bay;
- 3.2.14 Bergrivier and Swartland;
- 3.2.15 Drakenstein;
- 3.2.16 Cape Town;
- 3.2.17 Cape Agulhas; and
- 3.2.18 Wizenberg.
- 3.3 All public hearings would commence at 17:00 20:00;
- 3.4 Advertisements would be placed in the following newspapers:
- 3.4.1 Weskusnuus;
- 3.4.2 Tygerburger;
- 3.4.3 Witzenberg Herald;
- 3.4.4 Paarl Post;
- 3.4.5 Worcester Standard;
- 3.4.6 Cape Argus;
- 3.4.7 Die Burger;
- 3.4.8 Gantouw Gazette;
- 3.4.9 Hermanus Times;
- 3.4.10 Die Son;
- 3.4.11 Vukani;
- 3.4.12 City Vision;
- 3.4.13 George Herold;
- 3.4.14 Mossel Bay Advertiser; and
- 3.4.15 The Village News
- 3.5 The Committee would make use of the services of the Communication and information section to assist with a media campaign utilising social media Twitter, Facebook paid advertising, voice notes, online questionaries, radio station broadcasts per region, posters and flyers.
- 3.6 The Public Education and Outreach Section to assist with the public education and pre-hearing workshops and provide feedback to the Committee, awareness sessions with persons on its

database through SMS notifications, Community Development Workers to assist with awareness programmes on the Bill, promotion of the Bill through municipal Integrated Development Plan meetings with municipalities.

3.7 The Public Education and Outreach Section was requested to provide transportation for members of the public to attend the public hearings.

Meeting Committee adjourned at 12:08.

M. Maseko

MS LM MASEKO (MPP) CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

DATE: 23 June 2023