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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM

Friday, 22 September 2023 (08:00) Committee Room 2, 4th Floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Murray, C (Chairperson) Sileku, I Van der Westhuizen, A

African National Congress

Mvimbi, L (Alternate)

Al Jama-Ah

Brinkhuis, K

Apology:

Nkondlo, N (ANC)

The following persons were in attendance:

Western Cape Provincial Parliament:

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer Mr D Davids, Procedural Officer Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer

Department of Economic Development and Tourism, Wesgro, Airports Company South Africa, Department of Transport and Department of Home Affairs

*Please refer to the register below for a list of the participants

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism welcomed the Minister, officials from the provincial and national departments, and the members of the public to the meeting. The Chairperson indicated that the briefings would focus on the preparedness for the 2023/24 tourism season.

The Chairperson noted the rules of engagement for hybrid meetings and proceeded to introductions, and the presentations.

2. Briefing by the Department of Economic Development and Tourism and Wesgro

The Department of Economic Development and Tourism and Wesgro briefed the Committee on the tourism readiness plan for the 2023/24 tourism season, the Province's state of readiness for the tourism season, and the expectations for the tourism season.

The Members engaged on the content that was presented and proceeded to the next presentation.

3. Briefing by the Airports Company South Africa

The Airports Company South Africa (ACSA) briefed the Committee on the readiness of the Cape Town International Airport for the 2023/24 tourism season and gave an update on the ICT-related challenges in respect of the e-gates at the Airport.

The Members engaged on the content that was presented and proceeded to the next presentation.

4. Briefing by the Department of Home Affairs

The Department of Home Affairs briefed the Committee on the processing of skills visas, remote working visas and tourism visas in preparation for the 2023/24 tourism season in the Western Cape.

The Members engaged on the content that was presented and proceeded to the next presentations.

5. Briefing by the Department of Transport and the National Public Transport Regulator

The Department of Transport's National Public Transport Regulator briefed the Committee on the measures taken to address the backlog in tourism operating licenses in the Western Cape.

The Members engaged on the content that was presented.

6. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED to:

6.1. Write to ACSA to determine whether they have received feedback on their permissions to

expand George Airport and Cape Town International Airport;

- 6.2 Write to the Department of Home Affairs to request that they share the requirements that they have set for the Remote Working Visa;
- 6.3 Have a one-on-one meeting with the National Public Transport Regulator on the proposed amendments that will affect the tourism operating licenses; and
- 6.4 Share the recommendations made by the National Department of Transport on awareness with the Provincial Department of Mobility.

The meeting adjourned at 12h45.

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MS CAT MURRAY, MPP ACTING CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM DATE: 4 November 2023



WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT Standing Committee on Finance, Econc Opportunities and Tourism

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

Date: Time: Venue:

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Friday, 22 September 2023 08h00 – 12h00 Committee Room 2 (Hybrid)

Name	Organisation/ Department
The van Schallage	DEDAT
Jacques Stalty.	DEDAT
Rashid Toely	DEDAT
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Angelo Sanse	ERFYmott
JEFERY FEBRUARIE	ERRYMOTT
Siyanda Sombo	
Marco Van Zyl	Erymatt INT.
Johann Dony	Egyman INT
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Almien van derBerg	DHA
M. Wenger	Minister - Finance + Econ
Zakhele Thwald	DDG ! GVI'l Anation (DOT)
Wrenelle Stander	CEO: Wesgro
Jean Scheltema	Unef Marketing : Wesgro
Monica Lues	chief Destination: Wesgro
Phodisho Koanyago	DD : Airports (DoT)

Name	Organisation/ Department
Julia Malope	ASD: Airpoits (DOT)
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