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THE ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER: NKOMAZI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY (MR C LISA)

THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER: CITY OF MBOMBELA (MR W KHUMALO)

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(MR P MANKGA)

THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER: EHLANZENI DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY (DR NP MAHLALELA)

THE ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER: STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY (MRS T ZULU)

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THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER: CHIEF ALBERT LUTHULI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

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THE ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER: MKHONDO LOCAL MUNICIPALITY (MR B MASEKO)

THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER: MSUKALIGWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY (MR MM KUNENE)

THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER: GERT SIBANDE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY (MR CA HABILE)

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL: OFFICE OF THE PREMIER (MR M MAMPURU)

THE HEAD OF DEPARTMENT: CO - OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS:

(MR S NGUBANE)

THE CHIEF DIRECTORATE: FINANCIAL GOVERNANCE

THE CHIEF DIRECTORATE: ASSETS AND LIABILITIES MANAGEMENT

THE CHIEF DIRECTORATE: SUSTAINABLE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT



2022/23 MID-YEAR BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT VISITS

Section 72(1)(a) of the Municipal Finance Management Act, No. 56 of 2003 (MFMA) requires the accounting officer to assess the municipality's performance for the first six months of the financial year by 25 January of each year. This assessment should directly inform the preparation of the municipality's adjustments budget in terms of section 28 of the MFMA. The outcome of the assessment must be submitted via a report, in the format prescribed as per the Municipal Budget and Reporting Regulations, to the Mayor of the Municipality, the National Treasury and the relevant Provincial Treasury.

To give effect to the constitutional monitoring and oversight responsibilities of National Treasury, a process to comprehensively assess the mid-year performance of municipalities was institutionalised by the National Treasury seven years ago. This process, referred to as the "Mid-year Budget and Performance Assessment Visit" is one of two annual strategic engagements undertaken by National and Provincial Treasuries to strengthen the quality and oversight of municipal budgeting and performance.

The Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, South African Local Government Association (SALGA), ESKOM and the National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA) will also be invited to participate in these engagements.

While the purpose is primarily to review the municipality's mid-year performance, the following issues also constitute key focus areas of the engagement:

- a) Auditor-General's reports for 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 to be used as trend to determine the key achievements and challenges during this period;
- b) The actual mid-year results for the 2022/23 financial year, financial and non-financial, as measured against priorities in the Integrated Development Plan (IDP) and the targets set in the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP);
- c) Infrastructure delivery achievements against the Infrastructure Plan of the municipality;
- d) Performance and spending of all national and provincial conditional grants and progress made in achieving the grant conditions;
- e) The preparation of the 2022/23 adjustments budget and inputs thereto; and
- f) The 2022/23 budget schedule and progress made in achieving the milestones and timelines specified in the schedule in the compilation of the 2022/23 Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework (MTREF).
- g) Progress on the implementation of the Financial Recovery Plan
- h) Progress on the implementation of the Budget Funding Plan
- i) Progress on the implementation of the UIFW Strategy

The engagement will take place for a day focusing on the municipality's budget and performance. Please note that the agenda is structured to facilitate comprehensive discussions and ensure the standardization of presentations across all the 19 delegated municipalities. Hence, no changes to the structure of the agenda will be accommodated. The discussions for the day have been divided into four sessions as follows:

- Session 1: Review of performance for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial year (including the high-level performance of the municipality and each department/vote);
- Session 2: Review of the in-year performance of the municipality against the 2022/23 budget;
- Session 3: Financial management issues; and
- Session 4: Risk management.



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As the assessment is a municipal-wide responsibility, it is expected that the Municipal Manager, CFO and the municipality's relevant Heads of Departments and other Section 57 Managers will avail themselves to participate.

The municipality may invite at its discretion the MMC for Finance or the Finance Committee Chairperson; however, this is not mandatory.

Based on previous experience, the engagement should be well represented by senior management of the municipality, in many instances the proceedings were delegated to lower level officials. This has proven to be limiting as lower level staff are not always in a position to provide clarity and adequately answer questions.

Below is the schedule of dates confirmed:

MUNICIPALITY	PROPOSED DATE	TIME	PROPOSED VENUE
Ehlanzeni District Municipalities			
Bushbuckridge LM	06 February 2023	10:00	Bushbuckridge Council Chamber
Nkomazi LM	08 February 2023	09:00	Nkomazi Council Chamber
Ehlanzeni District	10 February 2023	09:00	Ehlanzeni District Council Chamber
Thaba Chweu LM	13 February 2023	10:00	Thaba Chweu Council Chamber
Nkangala District Municipalities			
Nkangala District	06 February 2023	10:00	Nkangala District Council Chamber
Emalahleni LM	07 February 2023	10:00	Emalahleni Council Chamber
Steve Tshwete LM	08 February 2023	10:00	Steve Tshwete Council Chamber
Victor Khanye LM	09 February 2023	10:00	Victor Khanye Council Chamber
Thembisile Hani LM	10 February 2023	10:00	Thembisile Hani Council Chamber
Dr JS Moroka LM	13 February 2023	10:00	Dr JS Moroka Council Chamber
Emakhazeni LM	14 February 2023	09:00	Emakhazeni Council Chamber
Gert Sibande District Municipalities			
Gert Sibande District	06 February 2023	10:00	Gert Sibande Districy Council Chamber
Lekwa LM	07 February 2023	10:00	Lekwa Council Chamber
Dipaleseng LM	08 February 2023	10:00	Dipaleseng Council Chamber
Govan Mbeki LM	09 February 2023	10:00	Chief Albert Luthuli Council Chamber
Chief Albert Luthuli LM	10 February 2023	10:00	Govan Mbeki Council Chamber
Msukaligwa LM	13 February 2023	10:00	Msukaligwa Council Chamber
Mkhondo LM	14 February 2023	10h00	Mkhondo Council Chamber
Dr Pixley Ka Isaka Seme LM	15 February 2023	10h00	Dr Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Council Chamber



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Please forward presentations on five days (05) days before the engagement date to Mr Nimrod Hlabane at 013 766 8713 and email to **nhlabane@mpg.gov.za**

Your co-operation is always appreciated.

Kind regards

MS GUGU MASHITENG

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