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Speaker**

Council Item

REPORT FROM PUBLIC PLACES AND STREET NAMING COMMITTEE ON THE NAMING OF THE INTEGRATED PUBLIC TRANSPORT NETWORK SERVICE FOR MANGAUNG METRO MUNICIPALITY

1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to submit a proposed name for the IPTN Service for consideration and approval by Council.

2. Background

MMM held two sets of Public Participation meetings (October – November 2017 & April 2018) with the aim of informing and getting inputs from the residents of our Metro regarding the new bus service and to solicit a suitable name for the Service. It was important to engage the public and the real users of public transport on the benefits of the introduction of the new bus service and the entire IPTN System.

3. POINTS OF DISCUSSION:

These were the dates as advertised in the local print media (**Courant, The Weekly, Mail on the 26th & 27th of October 2017**) for the meetings in and around the Metro; these are the dates for the first round;

AREA	DATE	TIME	VENUE
Van Stadensrus	30 th October 2017	10:00	Thapelong Hall
Wepener	30 th October 2017	13:00	Qibing Hall
Dewetsdorp	30 th October 2017	16:00	Morojaneng Hall
Bloemfontein	31 st October 2017	12:00	Leslie Mannanyane
Botshabelo	01 st November 2017	10:00	H1 Hall Section H
Thaba Nchu	02 nd November 2017	13:00	Civic Centre
Soutpan/Ikgomotseng	03 rd November 2017	15:00	Kagisano School

Below are the dates for the second round of meetings; they were advertised in the local print media (**Mail & The Weekly 29th of March & 13th of April 2018**)

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Wepener	03 rd April 2018	13:00	Qibing Hall
Dewetsdorp	03 rd April 2018	16:00	Morojaneng Hall
Bloemfontein	21 st April 2018	12:00	Leslie Mannanyane
Botshabelo	07 th April 2018	10:00	H1 Hall Section H
Thaba Nchu	07 th April 2018	13:00	Civic Centre
Soutpan/Ikgomotseng	04 th April 2018	15:00	Kagisano School

Naming of the service: In these forums the members of the public were encouraged to come up with names that symbolize movement, mobility and effectiveness in terms transport. These names are to be added to the ones that were sourced in the 1st instalment of the Public Participation gatherings.

Public awareness on IPTN roll out: The aim of this point of discussion was to inform and get considerations from the public on the roll out of IPTN services. Major points covered under this section were:

- Operation of service and phasing;
- Involvement of the affected public transport operators;
- Ongoing and planned infrastructure roll-out in various regions within the Metro;
- Bus stations
- Bus depot;
- Intelligent Transport System (ITS);

4. COMMENTS

As indicated under the background MMM needed to revisit all regions for the second time to solicit other names for the system and to update Community Members on the Project roll-out progress, that is, the proposed system operations and infrastructure roll-out. The discussions were robust, thought provoking and conducive to both parties.

Attendance was satisfactory in the sense that those who attended ranged between youth, working class / public transport users and pensioners.

SOME OF THE MAJOR CONCERNS/QUESTIONS RAISED WERE REGARDING

- What will happen to taxi owners/drivers and buses when the system is implemented;
- Is the taxi Industry in support of IPTN system;
- Passenger safety in the proposed buses;
- Buses accessibility / convenience v/s Current Minibus taxi accessibility and convenience
- Municipal Budget versus National Treasury / Department of Transport Conditional Grant
- How are ordinary people going to benefit from IPTN system roll-out and implementation, let alone the taxi operators;
- Bus Fare reductions and possible incentives;
- Value Chain towards the community members v/s taxi operators;
- Taxi phasing out program in relation to current state of dilapidated roads that will still be used by taxis / private car owners as compared to targeted roads dedicated to IPTN System that are to be improved; the argument is that the Metro need to strike a balance in roads improvements;

- Some members of the community showed negativity towards the introduction of the service due to perception of Interstate Bus Lines still failing the commuters with excessive bus fares;

CONSTRUCTIVE INPUTS FROM THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS

- IPTN Bus Operating times should be extended;
- Pensioners and scholars should be given bus fare concessions;
- Scholar transport or rather all transport Operators within the Metro must be consulted to clarify their roles and affectedness;
- Metro (BEPP) / Built Environment Performance Plan must be thoroughly investigated to ensure that the intended service break-even;

5. NAMING OF THE SERVICE

As indicated above under Paragraph 2 – Discussions, indicate that the proposed names should symbolize movement/mobility/accessibility. Below is the list of names proposed during the second Public Participation visit to various regions within the Metro;

1.Mangaung Bus Lines	11.Thabure	21. Palama
2.Have a Safe Trip	12.Naledi Bus Lines	22. Hamba Kahle
3. Siyakudumisa	13. Lengau Express	23.Haresepeleng
4. Sivuyile	14. Phakisa transport	24. Tsamaya Sentle
5. Rethabile	15. Se Re Fihlile	25.Tsamaya Lengau
6. Tsela Tshweu	16. Se re lle	26. A re Sepeleng
7. ReMmoho	17. Ya Fofa Nonyana	27. Go BBT
8.Sesfikile	18.Re ya Hole	28. Gorogang
9.Future Bus Lines	19. Motsamai	29. Centre City
10.Hauweng	20. Hamba O Zobuya	30. Tsamaya Lengau
31. Botle Bohle	32. Phuthanang	33. Reagabaganya
34. Boloka Maphelo	35. Reathusa	36. Motshabi

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 Public awareness on IPTN roll out

Despite issues and concerns raised; the IPTN project was received well with residents' hopeful that the cost of transport will be well managed and affordable. The public was also appreciative of the fact that there will be bus fare concessions considered for the physically disabled, elderly and school children as well as the fact that the new service will afford the physically disabled and the elderly an opportunity to travel on their own as the systems is planned to comply with universal accessibility standards.

The public was also appreciative of infrastructure roll-out that is at an advance stage around the Metro as well as the future developments.

Assurance was also given to the public that continuous interaction and information sharing will happen between the office of the IPTN and the community and further encouraged to actively participate in the IDP process to inform council of their needs in the community in general but also especially relating to transport.

6.2 Naming of the service

Having gone and held public participation in all regions within the Metro the MMM aim was to solicit the most suitable, appropriate and popular name that will represent the culture within the Metro as well as the Province at large.

Of all the names that were given out or nominated by the community members, the most popular amongst them all was that of **HAUWENG**.

After deliberations by the Public Places and Street Naming Committee, the most popular name as presented by the Unit, the HAUWENG name was thus considered and supported by the Committee.

7. RECOMENDATIONS

It is therefore recommended that:

7.1 Council approve the report of the Public Places and Street Naming Committee;

7.2 Council approves the HAUWENG name as the official name of the IPTN service.



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City Manager

15/10/2018

Supported / Not Supported by:



CLR. M Ratsiu

Chairperson: Public Places and Street Naming Committee

Approved/ Not Approved



CLR. M Siyonzana

Speaker: MMM Council