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Clr M Kganakga Mangaung Metro Municipality

Dear Councilor

# QUESTIONS IN TERMS OF THE RULE 38 OF STANDING RULES AND ORDERS OF THE MANGAUNG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY (MMM) DATED 16 APRIL 2021

With reference to your letter received on the 16 April 2021 regarding the above-mentioned matter bears reference.

I refer your attention to Rule 38 of the Standing Rules and Orders that states:

38.1 Any member may submit a question requiring a written reply from any political office bearer, the municipal manager or senior manager of the municipality, concerning any matter related to the effective performance of the functions of the municipality and the exercise of its powers, provided that a written notice of such a questions has been submitted to the Speaker or chairperson and the municipal manager at least 10 (ten) days prior to the councilor committee meeting and the political office bearer and the City Manager shall ensure that the member receive a written reply to the meeting.

38.2 If after the question has been replied to, a member is of the opinion that the reply is not clear or satisfactory, he or she may with the permission of the speaker or chairperson, request a follow-up question, follow—up question should be in writing.

38.3 Ail questions duly given notice of and all responses submitted shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

in March 2021 the Mangaung Metro Launched a campaign "Reclaiming the City" this was advertised on the Mangaung Metro Municipality's website on the following dated:

- 1. 29 March 2021
- 2. 19 March 2021
- 3. 18 March 2021 Office of the Executive Mayor
- 4. 12 March 2021
- 5. 11 March 2021
- 10 March 2021
- 7. 09 March 2021
- 8. 08 March 2021
- 9. 03 March 2021

Therefore, I ask the following questions in terms of Rule 38 of the Standing Rules and Orders:

## 1. What is the "Reclaiming the City" Campaign?

It is a meant to revitalizing the CDBs and Bringing Order to the Streets of Mangaung. Additional to this, the programme is aimed at revitalizing service delivery where service hardly reaches the area, on the spot response to service needs such as grass cutting, refuse removal, leak detections, illegal trading, running sewer and assistance with accounts for both Centlec and the city.

#### 2. When was this campaign Launched?

The campaign was not launched but initiated and implemented. It is also significant to reflect that the programme is not an additional programme, but rather an enhancement of existing programmes, it therefore required no launching

### 3. Why was this Campaign Launched?

The City embarked on a program to control of all the streets and CBDs in the Municipality to ensure that they are:

- 1) Clean.
- 2) Safe and secure.
- 3) Conducive to business operation.
- 4) Flats and accommodation establishment become conducive for human habitation.

## 4. How many wards were visited during this campaign?

Bloemfontein 9, Botshabelo 9 and Ward 50 - Wepener and Dewetsdorp (former Naledi)

## 5. When was the information regarding this campaign send to councillors?

A week before the campaign goes to that ward

#### 7. Who send the information out?

The HOD: Social Services and HOD: Solid Waste and Fleet

## 4. What departments were all involved in this campaign?

#### Internal stakeholders

- Law Enforcement.
- 2) Traffic.
- Environmental Health.
- 4) Solid Waste.
- 5) Land Use.
- 6) Local Economic Development (LED).
- 7) Centlec.

- 8) Fire.
- 9) Water and Sanitation.
- 10) Communications

#### **External Stakeholders**

- 1) South African Police Service (SAPS).
- 2) Free State Gambling and Liquor Authority.
- 3) Home Affairs (Immigration).
- 4) Department of Social Development.
- 5) DSTEA
- 6) Department of Labour
- 5. How many HOD's were involved in the campaign?

3 HOD's

6. Who are these HOD's?

HOD: Nkungwana, HOD: More and HOD: Ndlovu

7. How many GM's were involved in the campaign?

All the GM's within the Directorate: Social Services (6), Directorate: Engineering Services (6) and Directorate: Solid Waste and Fleet; Directorate: Economic Development (2), Directorate Planning (1)

8. Who all are these GM's?

All the GM's within the Directorate: Social Services (6), Directorate: Engineering Services (2) and Directorate: Solid Waste and Fleet(2); Directorate: Rural and Economic Development (2), Directorate Planning (1)

9. Why has the camping stopped (By 16 April the campaign had stopped by words from Mangaung officials and was completely not operational)?

The campaign did not stop and still ongoing

- 10. How many Wards are there in Mangaung?
- 19 Wards
- 11. Seeing that Administration was responsible for implementing this campaign or project, why was in only administered to certain wards?

The campaign or project is still on and did stop, it has sometimes been overtaken by other events /programmes within with City.

12. Seeing that it is the administration that had to implement the campaign, why did they not implement it in the entire Mangaung and only certain wards?

The Campaign will reach all the wards within the City as per the developed program

13. Seeing that there were HOD's that were part of the campaign do they only serve only certain constituencies in Mangaung, if not in context of this campaign where is the proof that they serve the entire Mangaung?

The campaign is aimed at servicing all wards in City, with the vulnerable wards being the most preferred

14. Seeing that the HOD's and some GM (according to pictures on the Mangaung FB page) were part of this campaign how many DA wards according to the city were visited during this campaign on what dates? The DA wards are Ward 16, 18, 47 and 48

All wards will be serviced irrespective of which political party they fall under if we pick major vulnerabilities of the ward.

18. In reference to Question 17, why were these wards not visited, in order to get to Ward 19 if wards were visited in numerical order you go past 16 and 18,if Wards were visited in geographical order ward 17 and 47 are the last wards before Botshabelo were the campaign started?

Wards were not visited in geographical order but based on the urgent request /need from the respective Councilors and as per the planned program

19. What criteria was used to select in which wards this campaign would be beneficial?

The was no criteria used to select the visited wards, but the administrators of the program look at areas were intervention is highly needed.

20.In reference to Question 17 and 18, has the administration block made themselves guilty of canvassing for the Acting Acting mayor by not asking about the other Mangaung wards?

The campaign/program is only meant to ensure cleanliness within the City and not for canvassing

Yours faithfully

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