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**MINUTES
of a SPECIAL MEETING**

**MANGAUNG
METROPOLITAN
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER
FIRST FLOOR
BRAM FISCHER BUILDING
BLOEMFONTEIN**

**WEDNESDAY
JUNE 22, 2022
AT 11:00
(CONTINUATION OF THE MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE 2022)**

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ATTENDANCE REGISTER

POLITICAL LEADERSHIP			
#	NAME	PARTY	LEAVE
1	<u>Speaker</u> Councillor Lockman (Stefani Bernadette)	ANC	
2	<u>Executive Mayor</u> Councillor Siyonzana (Mxolisi Ashford)	ANC	
3	<u>Deputy executive Mayor</u> Councillor Mothibi-Nkoane (Maria Mapaseka)	ANC	
4	<u>Council Whip</u> Councillor Nikelo (Vumile Edwin)	ANC	
SECTION 79 CHAIRPERSONS			
5	Councillor Mokoakoa (Mpho Isaac)	ANC 29	
6	Councillor Nhlapo (Ntombi Anna)	ANC	
7	Councillor Qai (Alfred)	AIC	
8	Councillor Seleke (Puseletso Leticia)	ANC	
9	Councillor Mokgothu (Tona Kenosi Wilfred)	ANC 2	
MEMBERS OF THE MAYORAL COMMITTEE(SECTION 80 CHAIRPERSONS)			
10	Councillor Titi-Odili (Lulama Magdeline)	ANC	
11	Councillor Morake (Molefi Andries)	ANC	
12	Councillor Matsoetlane (Maditaba Joyce)	ANC	
13	Councillor Mogotloane (Thabo Joel)	ANC 39	
14	Councillor Tladi (Motshewa Martha)	ANC	
15	Councillor Mosala (Motlhokung Theodorah)	ANC 11	
16	Councillor van der Ross (Kevin Etienne)	PA	
17	Councillor Twala (Pani Sidney)	ATM	
18	Councillor Jonas-Malephane (Vuyelwa Eunice)	ANC	

PR COUNCILLORS			
#	NAME	PARTY	LEAVE
19	Councillor Campher (Zaandre MC)	DA	
20	Councillor Davies (Maryke)	DA	
21	Councillor De-Huis (Dikeledi Jane)	EFF	
22	Councillor De Kock (Valerie Belinda)	FFPlus	
23	Councillor Denner (John Henry)	FFPlus	
24	Councillor Dennis (Magdalene Elizabeth)	DA	
25	Councillor Ferreira (Thomas Ignatius)	DA	
26	Councillor Klaasen Raynie Sarah	DA	
27	Councillor Letsoko (Mantwa Sanah)	EFF	
28	Councillor Lipale (Gopolang Jeremiah)	EFF	
29	Councillor Makau (Pitso Elias)	EFF	
30	Councillor Malebo (Deliwe Lettia)	EFF	
31	Councillor Maliela (Motiki Edwin)	DA	
32	Councillor Masoeu (Thapelo David)	DA	
33	Councillor Mogotsi (Mamahlape Elias)	EFF	
34	Councillor Mohlamme (Lebohang Lerato)	DA	
35	Councillor Mokoena (John Itumeleng)	AASD	Absent without apology
36	Councillor Mongale (Mojalefa William)	AASD	
37	Councillor Monyakoana (Ntwa Patrick)	ANC	
38	Councillor Moreeng (Kabelo Christopher)	DA	
39	Councillor Njiva-Lebajoa (Mamotse)	DA	Absent with apology
40	Councillor Ntshakazane (Eunice Xoliswa)	EFF	
41	Councillor Phupha (Ntsoaki Agnes)	PA	
42	Councillor Phohleli (Tsholwane Eddy)	EFF	
43	Councillor Ramatlama (Mpho Joseph)	EFF	

44	Councillor Rampai (Pule Joseph)	ACDP	
45	Councillor Rasoeu (Lempe Ernest)	DA	
46	Councillor Sebolao (Jankie Elisha)	EFF	
47	Councillor Shale (Nkahiseng Reginah)	EFF	
48	Councillor Snyman van Deventer (Elizabeth)	FFPlus	
49	Councillor Terblanche (Arthur Phillip)	DA	
50	Councillor Thomas (Johannes Beleme)	EFF	
51	Councillor Thwala (Zwelinjane Jonathan)	DA	
52	Councillor van der Merwe (Rulhof)	DA	
53	Councillor Viviers (Benhardus Jacobus)	DA	
54	Councillor Vorster (Braam)	FFPlus	
55	Councillor Wewege (Mare-Lize)	FFPlus	
WARD COUNCILLORS			
56	Councillor Sefaki (Samuel)	ANC 1	
57	Councillor Machachamise (Tshepiso Oudious)	ANC 3	
58	Councillor Supi (Mahoko Harold)	ANC 4	
59	Councillor Lecoko (Lehlohonolo Nathaniel)	ANC 5	
60	Councillor Moilola (Tshidiso Petrus)	ANC 6	
61	Councillor Rampai (Chabeli Frank)	ANC 7	
62	Councillor Nyaphudi (Likeleli Julia)	ANC 8	
63	Councillor Tlhakung (Betty Masetlhabi)	ANC 9	
64	Councillor Setlai (Teboho Lesley)	ANC 10	
65	Councillor Hashatsi (Rafedile)	ANC 12	
66	Councillor Siteo (Nombulelo Dorcas)	ANC 13	
67	Councillor Lekgetho (Lebogang Winston)	ANC 14	

68	Councillor Mohibidu (Pulane Martha)	ANC 15	
69	Councillor Kruger (Caprice Logan)	ANC 16	
70	Councillor Mohatle (Mampone Sally)	ANC 17	
71	Councillor McKay (David Mark Campbell)	DA 18	
72	Councillor Peter (Seth Qondile)	ANC 19	
73	Councillor Pretorius (Werner)	DA 20	
74	Councillor Lotriet (Pieter Adam)	DA 21	
75	Councillor Leech (Dulandi)	DA 22	
76	Councillor van der Walt (Tjaart Botha)	DA 23	
77	Councillor Kotze (Gerhardus Dirk Petrus)	DA 24	
78	Councillor Botes (Francois Rossouw)	DA 25	
79	Councillor van Niekerk (Hendrik Johannes Christiaan)	DA 26	
80	Councillor Banyane (Zachous Nechodemus)	ANC 27	
81	Councillor Tukula (Teboho Daniel)	ANC 30	
82	Councillor Mabena (Mere Joel)	ANC 31	
83	Councillor Menyatso (Thabang Victory)	ANC 32	
84	Councillor Mohono (Tshidiso Augustine)	ANC 33	
85	Councillor Tshwane (Kabi Daniel)	ANC 34	
86	Councillor Fantisi (Teboho Samuel)	ANC 35	
87	Councillor Makoloane (Itumeleng Justice)	ANC 36	
88	Councillor Ramolele (Mmota Simon)	ANC 37	
89	Councillor Matsoso (Molahloane Florenciah)	ANC 38	
90	Councillor Pholoholo (Ntebaleng Petunia)	ANC 40	

91	Councillor Dintlhwane (Mantja Agnes)	ANC 41	
92	Councillor Mothupi (Maqoma Lazarus)	ANC 42	
93	Councillor Nkiane (Mpho Elizabeth)	ANC 43	
94	Councillor Pretorius (Selmé)	DA 44	
95	Councillor Mathe (Lisiwe Jeanette)	ANC 45	
96	Councillor Majoro (Mpho Samuel)	ANC 46	
97	Councillor Kganakga (Mokgadi)	DA 47	
98	Councillor Pretorius (Johannes Christiaan)	DA 48	
99	Councillor Moqolo (Lehlohonolo Joseph)	ANC 49	
100	Councillor Lelala (Makoa Cristophel)	ANC 50	
101	Councillor Mohulatsi (Mamoorosi Margaret)	ANC 51	

OFFICIALS PRESENT

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| 1. NCR | Mr E Maseko |
| 2. Acting City Manager | Mr T Motlashuping |
| 3. Acting CFO | Mr T Sediti |
| 4. Acting HoD: Engineering | Mr WR McLeod |
| 5. Acting HoD: Planning | Ms N Mabunda |
| 6. Acting HoD: Social Services | Mr KI Kgamanyane |
| 7. Acting HoD: Corporate Services | Adv N Mpangane |
| 8. Acting HoD: Fleet and Waste management | Mr F Nel |
| 9. Fleet Management | Mr XC Manyungwana |
| 10. CEO: CENTLEC | Mr M Sekoboto |
| 11. General Manager: Committee Services | Mr Motete Mothekhe |
| 12. Secretariat officers | Ms R Mamatela |
| | Ms M Morakabi |

Note by Secretariat

1. **Attendance Register:** Every member attending a meeting shall sign his/her name in the attendance register kept for this purpose before the commencement of the meeting.
2. **Leave Register:** In order to streamline administrative processes Councillors are friendly requested to submit applications for leave of absence in the appropriate register kept for this purpose. Members are requested to fill in this register 12 hours before the commencement of the meeting (Rule 22.2) (Yellow Form).
3. **Name-plates:** Councillors are friendly requested to please take along their name-plates and to display it throughout the meeting.
4. **Apologies during the course of the Council meeting:** Councillors are friendly requested to complete in full and submit the relevant apology form for this purpose (Yellow Form).
5. **Code of Conduct:** Councillors are reminded of item 3, Schedule 1 of the Code of Conduct for Councillors which reads as follows, namely:

Attendance at Meetings: A councillor must attend each meeting of the municipal council and of a committee of which that councillor is a member, except when:

- (a) leave of absence is granted in terms of an applicable law or as determined by the rules and orders of the council or
- (b) that councillor is required in terms of this Code to withdraw from the meeting.

6. Meeting rules:

- i. All Councillors must arrive at **least 15 minutes before the commencement** of the Council and all other Committee meetings;
- ii. Cellular phones **must be in silent mode** and **speaking on a cellular phone during the meeting is prohibited**; (Rule 50.2a)
- iii. A Councillor who speaks must **confine his or her speech strictly to the matter under discussion**; (Rule 31)
- iv. Unless expressly otherwise determined, a Councillor **may speak only once on a matter**; (Rule 32)
- v. No speech shall exceed **five (5) minutes** in length without the consent of the Speaker. (Rule 34.1)
- vi. Council members are reminded to uphold high level of good conduct during Council proceedings (No disruptions, no interruptions, no howling, no swearing to other Council members, less movement in the Chamber, no abuse of the PA system).

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**MINUTES
(OPEN COUNCIL)**

116.

OPENING

(MOMENT OF SILENT CONTEMPLATION FOR MEDITATION AND PRAYERS)

The meeting commenced at 11h08. The Speaker then confirmed quorum and indicated there were 99 Councillors present in the meeting.

NOTED.

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NOTICE OF THE MEETING

The Speaker read the notice as on page 2 of the agenda.

NOTED.

118.

APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

All relevant leave of absence and apologies were recorded and minuted as such in the attendance list on the first page of the minutes.

NOTED.

119.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Councillor MJ Mabena moved for acceptance and was seconded by Councillor L Kruger.

NOTED.

120.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker announced that there will be an Ordinary meeting of Council on the 30th of June 2022.

NOTED.

The Speaker made summary remarks as follows; “We are continuing the meeting from the 15th of June 2022. I would like to submit the summary and remarks. This is the 3rd instalment of our budget approval Council meeting. The 1st meeting was on the 3rd of June 2022 then on the 15th of June 2022, which was last week Wednesday. Just as a reminder, we are all here because we are unable to obtain 51 Councillors to vote or threshold on budget approval. We also noted submissions by Councillors on the IDP and budget provisions for the 2022/23 financial year.

Councillor Pretorius from the DA proposed that figures mentioned by the Executive Mayor on his speech regarding tariffs be reflected on paper and budget booklets and be incorporated into total budget allocations.

Councillor MW Mongale from the AASD proposed that the Executive Mayor should reflect in his speech that the Mangaung Municipality budget is for the people of Mangaung and all goods and services should be allocated to the city.

Councillor JE Sebolao from the EFF requested that service delivery issues which are his party’s cardinal points namely; land settlements and clean environment be given the priority in this budget and further better management of our land sites be given a priority.

Councillor D Leech also emphasized the points made by Councillor Pretorius by requesting a comprehensive review of the tariffs and a better working relationship of both Centlec and Bloem-water entities.

The two (2) ANC members, Councillor LM Titi-Odili and Deputy Executive Mayor, Councillor MM Nkoane-Mothibi proposed for the approval of the IDP and budget with emphasis on maintenance and improved financial management system. The Deputy Executive Mayor also requested Council to approve the IDP and the budget on the backdrop of further project increases.

We also received the response from the Executive Mayor, Councillor MA Siyonzana on some of the imports made and the mayor indicated that no changes had been made in the budget documents. He further responded that submissions made by the Councillors on the IDP and budget had been noted and will be incorporated in the adjustment budget that will be made in August 2022.”

The Speaker emphasised that a majority of 51 votes was needed in order to adopt the draft budget and thereafter afforded the Executive Mayor to respond to the remarks and submissions made and one (1) Councillor from each political party would then be requested to reflect on submissions from the Executive Mayor.

Executive Mayor addressed the Council as follows – “Thank you, Madam Speaker. This is a Special Council meeting and we will be dealing with the budget and in terms of protocols in handling issues of budget, officials led by the intervention which is Ntate Motlashuping, from the side of Centlec officials led by the CEO: Centlec, Mr Malefane Sekoboto, the National Representative from the Cabinet, Mr E Maseko, leadership from the ANC which is here led by the coordinator, Mr Paseka, all other political parties which are here present, citizens of Mangaung.

Today we are tabling Mangaung IDP, medium term revenue and expenditure framework 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025, we are also tabling the policy related, we are also here to talk to you Mangaung citizens, this budget, we went to public participation in different Wards. We also dealt with issues of electronic and some of the submissions were done through our website. I must indicate that in the olden days, we used to call meeting of public participation in terms of clusters. We are tempted to call this meeting the wards, some were failed but what is more important-public participation was done. We are also recognizing the role played by different political parties, more especially the multi-party, they raised some of the issues and we said to them-when it comes to performance, they are going to be incorporated in our adjustment budget around August. If you remember the 1st two speeches that we made, it was indicated that this budget is for stability.

You'll remember that we have 4 loans that we are servicing, and those loans within 2 years will be talking history about them, we are servicing them. But we are here Councilors to serve the people of Mangaung and this budget and financial year may not be what you expect, but what is important is that we are moving towards stability. This coming Monday, I will be going up and down encouraging people to pay their services, to make sure that whatever we wrote and promising for August is realized with the corporation of Mangaung citizens to assist us in terms of paying their services, without that, this budget will not be realized. With these few words I am tabling this IDP/Budget as I already mentioned, it is for consideration."

The Deputy Executive Mayor, Councilor MM Nkoane-Mothibi made her address as follows;

– “On a lighter note, Thank you so much the EFF for reminding me that I am from the ANC and not the EFF, I therefore will only recognize those that I am supposed to recognize, today as we meet during this unprecedented time wherein we face an invisible enemy which is covid 19 we should reflect and think of wonderful souls that we lost due to this pandemic, and may their souls rest in peace. Tabling of the 5 year IDP on continuation of the meeting which was held on the 15th of June 2022, as Councilors and legislatures we are governed by various pieces of legislation and the key amongst is the Municipal Finance Management Act and The Municipal System Act which are significant to establishing accountable and people driven democratic governance.

The development of this IDP and budget followed the IPD and budget plan that was adopted by council and furthermore Section 17 and 18 of chapter in the Municipal Systems Act provides the means and mechanism to communicate these important dates and such the city adhered to the act as the Executive Mayor just stipulated and utilize it to communicate with communities and other stakeholders including the internal structures whom were encouraged to participate and be afforded an opportunity to make comments, inputs and write submissions as the law of SA, with this Integrated Development Plan, as this council we are putting into action a program of action for the new community aspiration and those that are to be finalized in terms of implementation, this integrated development plan and the responding Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure Framework- The MTREF have continued to strive plan since the beginning of this term into 5 development objectives to advance the goal of achieving the target by this municipality.

We remain committed to this priorities which are the special transformation, the economic growth, service delivery improvement, financial health improvement and organizational strength which we need most. The contents of the IDP were influenced by various activities such as consultative sessions with NGOs, various government departments, business sector just to mention a few.

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The city has taken all the inputs and comments by the broader stakeholders into consideration before the finalization of this strategic documents, we shall therefore relentlessly pursue the desire that our citizens have identified during the various participatory platforms for this IDP, I therefore support the budget that has been tabled by Executive Mayor of the Mangaung municipality. Thank you, Madam Speaker.”

Councilor D Leech addressed the Council as follows – “Madam Speaker, today the Democratic Alliance put it on record that we on numerous occasions consulted with the Chief Whip, MMC for Finance, the Deputy Mayor, the Executive Mayor and also the National Intervention Team. Unfortunately, the ANC choose to ignore our inputs and advice. We therefore now would like to state to the community of Mangaung the following:

Firstly, this budget was considered by National Treasury who indicated that in their opinion it is funded but NOT sustainable. In other words, Council and the Metro will not be able to maintain the budget at the required level. At some point we will run out of money to tend to our expenses and will thus not be able to fund them, To explain in layman terms; When one issue invoices for example to the amount of R 100, you should work on a debt collection rate of about 80%, meaning that your effective income will be R 80 and your expenses should be in line with that. Secondly, the tariff increases as proposed are too high and residents of Mangaung are already struggling to pay for services, some which they are not even receiving.

Thirdly, a Municipality’s main objective is to render services and not to be an employment company with ridiculous salaries for the elite. The ANC refuses to cut its salary bill of R 2,4 billion regardless of the fact that they promised to cut 200 political positions and cap overtime. This alone should save the metro an astonishing R 200 million. Please note that Council has till date did not approve an organogram.

Fourthly, even with such a high salary bill which one would like to think that the metro would be able to provide us with enough human resources to effectively deliver services. To the contrary an additional R 600 million has been budgeted for contracted services, and repairs and maintenance has only been listed under the said.

The DA in its alternative budget managed to:

- Lower tariffs,
- Work on an 80% debt collection rate,
- Lower the ridiculous salary bill with R 300 million,
- Cap expenditure under the line item “other;”
- Still budget for contracted services;
- Allocate all money budgeted for the illegal Metro Police to the refurbishment of roads, this includes the purchasing of firearms;
- Continue to effectively buy electricity and water in line with proposed unit increases from NERSA and Bloemwater while still making a profit; and
- Most importantly budget an additional R 300 million for repairs and maintenance in terms of service delivery. The mere R 19 million for Materials and Parts budgeted by the ANC is a disgrace.

The ANC is like a Cancer which slowly eat away at its host. One can only be fully cured from Cancer if it is completely cut out and removed from its host. We hoped that the Intervention Team would have been our long-awaited chemo.

Today the DA is dressed in traditional funeral wear, as, like with the death of someone with a terrible and unjust disease, we can see the decay. We are in mourn of everything the residents of Mangaung have lost, from possible investments leading to jobs to just having to throw their money into a bottomless pit without receiving basic services such as water, electricity, refuse removal, sanitation and the list goes on. I once listened to a preacher who said that when he gets to a house where the marriage is on the rocks, he always checks to see whether the wife is wearing lipstick, as it is a clear sign of whether there is still hope. After the blatant ignorance of the ANC government, where help was offered but arrogance subsided, I have lost all hope for this Metro under your reign. Thank you”

Councilor GJ Lipale remarked as follows, namely: “Today I take this platform with full mandate from the masses of our people who had bestowed to us a serious responsibility to subscribe to constructive engagement that pursued to deepen democracy and participation in government system. Allow us as the EFF to take this ample opportunity to recognize the youth month, indeed we are not by inch pursuit to celebrate this month other than to raise the matter that still lingers the progress to recognize youth economic empowerment; but as the EFF, our student command was launched and they will work tirelessly to advance the best interest of both the youth and the students. Yes, we raise this emphasis that relates with the question of youth economic empowerment, because we are alarmed to see so many young people within the Municipality lingering around the streets and filling the prisons. It should stand that the Council cannot continue to exist without adhering to the question of the youth empowerment.

We therefore want to make this call that the Municipality must be disbanded if the Council fails to adopt the budget. We make this call because there is a faction within the ruling party that will never sleep until they collapse this Municipality and nothing is left. They will never sleep until they dry the Council budget. They do whatever it takes to disturb the Council budget vote sitting occurrence. They continue to milk the public pair to fight their political battles at the expense of our Municipality. As the EFF we will never sleep until we see to it that crooks, thieves and criminals are jailed and the keys are thrown away. They don’t deserve to be occupying and sitting in the Council meeting as they should be wearing orange overalls.

Honourable Speaker, there is nothing honorable about this Council as we cannot have a situation where you put the Municipality under administration for thieves and yet, thieves are here with us. We are resolute that the National Government must simply disband the Council. Our MMCs are lazy to think, they are sleeping at work and it is only through the removal from office that things can be done. We call upon the Cabinet to make a decision to disband this Council, nothing is left for this Council other than thieving this Municipality.

We will never sleep until the people of this mother land City are attended to. One of the Terms of Reference for the national intervention was that a multiparty disciplinary team of experts would be appointed to deal with corruption within the City but that has not been done. This was not done deliberate because the ruling party wants to protect their crooks.

Yes, Honourable Speaker, the youth must become a priority in the fight for economic freedom and therefore the youth questions can be responded by increasing the budget to enable the Municipality to acquire more interns, graduates and entrepreneurs through a well-planned intervention involving all governmental institutions, departments and agencies. I raise this matter not on the basis of the complacent speechification but rather on the basis that there is decay within our Municipality. It is a decay because all levels and spheres of government are failing our people from local, provincial and subsequently to national and at all material times, the decay continues to eat on the public pair. It is a tendency of the ANC government to intervention or no intervention, money gets directed from fundamental priorities to individuals pockets. We are comfortably seated in an air conditioned halls when the very same foundation that carries this infrastructure is falling apart.

The budget for salaries and wages for employees has been increased from 9.47% almost about R207.097 million added to a new amount of R2.497 billion yet these employees and executives fail to deliver on the people who put the Municipality into existence. We fail to understand why this useless administration is paid. This Municipality is led by self-serving individuals who only prioritize and think of their own selves, their friends and families. This Municipality is led by people who can sleep peacefully at night knowing that the next door neighbour is without food.

Honourable Speaker, the projected budget in the areas of maintenance of parks, cemeteries, refuse removal, maintenance, addressing of potholes amounts to...

Centlec Madam Speaker, does not have a board, how do you operate without a board, how do you instil good managerial ethos without a functioning board, Executive Mayor please look into that.

In conclusion Madam Speaker, the people of Mangaung deserves better services. They deserve clean running water, reliable electricity supply, refuse collection, sanitation, improved health facilities and 24 hour operating clinics, more ambulances etc. The young people of Mangaung deserve better jobs and entrepreneurial opportunities. While you are busy sipping expensive wines and shelving the problems of Mangaung, residents gather dust. You must know that the EFF is for the people of Mangaung and for as long as our people are not serviced properly, we will hold you collectively accountable and eventually replace you because we are the last hope and the only alternative of the people of Mangaung. We will never sit in one room with corruption ..."

Councillor LM Titi-Odili made the following inputs; namely:

- That 51 wards within Mangaung raised issues that they wanted to be part of the budget, mainly it was matters relating maintenance and the aging infrastructure;
- That when compared to previous financial year whereby they had budgeted R375 million, this year they have allocated an amount of R517 million to deal with matters of the aging infrastructure, repair and maintenance;
- That they have a plan to reduce the high number of consultants;

- That this budget also made provision amounting to R113 million to reduce the high overtime bill and Acting's' by advertising critical positions;
- That they have put aside an amount of R265 million for electricity infrastructure;
- That this budget plans to ensure citizens of Mangaung receive the basic needs they were entitled to, the metro had a total budget of R8.8 billion which had to cater to the entire population of Mangaung and lastly as the ANC they were supporting the Budget as is.

There was loud utterings from Councillors and thereafter the Speaker called the house to order.

Councillor JH Denner made his address as follows – “Madam Speaker, the FFP refer Council to all the previous remarks made with regards to budget, in addition, chapter 4 of the MFMA clearly states how the budget making process should be conducted. It is of outmost importance that the timeline requirements set out in the legislation are adhered to but more importantly is that the budget should be designed and drafted to achieve its objectives. In the Honourable Executive Mayor response to the three motions of no confidence on the 12th of May 2022, he clearly stated that all the problems facing this Municipality including the financial problems of the previous administration, he further indicated that these problems will be addressed in his budget which for all intents and purposes be his budget. But will all due respect Honourable Executive Mayor this budget is a copy and paste from the previous administrations budgets. This as the current state of the metro is under your leadership is just a copy and paste of the previous administration, a cycle of failure.

The focus of the new administration, should be to start from scratch by engaging with all the stakeholders in order to draft the budget to address all the problems, instead the inability to govern properly, lack of political will and fighting within the ANC has brought the administration to its knees. Due process was not followed and that is why we are facing this situation, with power comes great responsibility.

It was and still is your responsibility to make sure that due process was followed to draft the budget. That should have happened two (2) months ago and should have been a continuous process. The opposition parties represent 49% of this Metro, we are sitting on the side-lines any longer, we are stakeholders in this process who's input you have ignored, you will not get away with that.

Madam Speaker, Section 17 of the MFMA clearly states the contents that should be included in the budget and the supporting documents that should be provided including setting out the realistic anticipated revenue for the budget year. The information given in this budget is not sufficient. Council is requested to adopt policies today but on what basis are these tariffs calculated, how can council fulfil its oversight obligations and approve this budget and policies if the essential info is not available. On what basis is it recommended that properties used for ecotourism or for the trading and hunting games should be excluded from agricultural property.

Council is requested to approve the budget but the 3rd quarter report that should contain the real financial position of the Municipality which was already due by end of March was not tabled before Council.

Madam Speaker one does not draft the budget to be funded by increasing the income, you control the expenses. Still, not enough priorities given to the current crisis of water and electricity supply, waste and infrastructure. This is not new as the ANC is synonymous with skewed and self-serving priorities. Charging rate payers exorbitant increases on basic services will not ensure that the budget is funded, instead it will increase the burden on rate payers fuelling the service delivery crisis that the Metro is facing because in essence the Municipality will be charging premium for something that consumers are not receiving which is proper service delivery.

Therefore Madam Speaker, it is unlikely that the R8.8 billion projected revenue in this budget will be achieved, the tariffs are unrealistic and too high. The policies are still not satisfactory, controlling the expenditure is still not satisfactory, the budget is still not funded.

The FFP therefore cannot and will not vote for the budget as tabled, we will not support this budget because it is repeating the failures of the previous administration, its failing the people of Mangaung, it is failing the poor people of Mangaung. Dankie Mevrou Speaker.”

Councillor MW Mongale commented as follows – “Thank you Speaker. If we had an opportunity of a week but we could not agree that we should call one multiparty meeting that will narrow the issues and try to find a way of accommodating all different opinions.

Last week was a week of missed opportunity by the Mangaung. Let us move forward and not lament all the time, this budget is not talking about the people of Mangaung, even though they are the ones that voted for this budget. It is a similar of a dog that caught a prey and the owner eats that meat and throw away the bones. We asked this council and made a submission to the whip to say let there be 500 thousand discretionary grant allocated to the Wards so that there should be no Ward that is not accommodated but that matter was thrown out the window because we no longer talk about the people’s budgets but the Executive Mayor’s budget. At the moment we should have burial sites that are closer to the people because the one in Bainsvlei is far away, we should have a burial site near the people. There should be a budget about land acquisition for burial but that is a missed opportunity again.

The issue of indigent register that has been written but the matter has not been addressed. People have not received the services that they deserve, we even said the indigent register should be dedicated to the wards but that submission has been rejected but it is not from the ANC.

We have asked for investment summit being aware that the municipality is under the financial recovery plan, we need new investors in this city and the rest of Mangaung. we missed a lot of opportunities who have not been sufficiently covered by this budget, we raised an issue of tariffs that they are too high, we need to keep them on hold because we come from a horrible situation of lockdown and unemployment is at an all-time high and we cannot afford to increase and our people are already suffering and this will lead to theft of electrical cables and CENTLEC will need to switch off and that will cause conflict caused by this Council.

We are also of the opinion that by now that we have a bloated staff in Mangaung and we need to deal with it. In this particular case there are no intentions of fixing that problem and it will persist and that will deny any graduates from getting employed. We need to give the youth some hope and this budget is embarrassing.

We never visit townships and see that young people are on drugs and that is scary and there is high hopelessness and that is caused by those that are in power, we are leading ourselves and not the people, the people are angry and I hope that this message will cause sleepless nights in the Council.”

Councillor NP Monyakoana indicated that he will not be reading his speech to the house however he would be submitting it to Corporate Secretariat for record purposes.

Councillor PJ Rampai made the following inputs, namely: – “We hope that this budget will give hope to the people of Mangaung, to the people who voted last year. Hope of benefitting by actually receiving service delivery, it should not be a dream but a reality. Someone commented on Facebook last week that “*we are tired of the empty promises now is the time to deliver*”. Let me quote Martin Luther King, “*the difference between a dreamer and a visionary is that a dreamer has his eyes closed*” Madam Speaker, if this budget is going to give a vision to people of Mangaung, so they can see a budget of 2022, if so Madam Speaker, the ACDP will vote for this budget, thank you.”

The Executive Mayor responded as follows – “Madam Speaker when you read the scriptures act 36, 13 vs 36, it reads as follows and talks about David during his generation he served his people. We are here to serve. Councillor MA Morake I did not recognize you and I think it's proper to recognize you. I know he is a member of Legislature, when I meet any member of legislature I always refer to them as Councillors, I put my reasons and he knows my reasons why. We are tasked to serve our people and I think I made a commitment and it is to make sure that our people are served. We said we know they're not happy, by Monday you will see us in action. I understand all of you where you are coming from, I'm talking about the Councillors from different political parties.

I am saying when it started and this journey was to change the lives of our people. We are not going to do it alone but we are going to do it with your good selves. When we started we said, we are going to work as a collective, ourselves and different political parties. Mark my words, by December this year Mangaung will be a different place. You spoke about the youth, we did incorporate that in our submissions to the Acting City Manager, we said by August we're going to have an adjustment budget, we received submissions from different political parties particularly EFF, they sat with us and they raised a number of issues and they were in pain and I listen to them even now the way that they are raising them and i don't think we are going to disappoint them. Thank you very much.”

Thereafter Councillor GJ Lipale requested a 10 minutes caucus on behalf of the EFF which was duly granted by the Speaker.

After the caucus, the Councillor GJ Lipale provided feedback as follows: - “Thank you, Madam Speaker, we have listened attentively to the tabling of the mayor's budget and as the EFF we have a Bible that we follow which is the 7 non-negotiable pillars which the budget did not address and it is very important, land is very fundamental to us. We will pronounce ourselves in due course, thank you, Madam Speaker.”

The Speaker read the recommendations of both items as on page 6 and 7 – 8 of the agenda and thereafter proceed to vote and announced the results as follows: 54 in favour, 42 against and 2 abstained.

1.

TABLING OF THE MANGAUNG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY'S INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP) AS WELL AS SECTORAL PLANS (2022 – 2027) FOR APPROVAL

It was thereupon with 54 in favour, 42 against and 2 abstained.

RESOLVED that the Council:

- 1) Approves the Final Integrated Development Plan for 2022/2027.
- 2) Approves the below mentioned Sector Plans for 2022/2027 (Annexures as Key Components of IDP).
- 3) To note the Drafts Integrated Waste Management Plan (Annexure C) and Centlec Energy Plan (Annexure L).

Sectoral Plans	Annexure
MMM Ward Demographics Maps	A
Environmental Management Plan and Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Strategy	B
Integrated Waste Management Plan (Draft for Noting)	C
Ten - Year Water Conservation and Water Demand Management Strategy	D
Integrated Public Transport Network Plan	E
Integrated Human Settlement Plan	F
MMM Organogram	G
Technical Indicator Description (TIDs)	H
Spatial Development Framework	I
Disaster Management Plan	J
Centlec Energy Plan (Draft for Noting)	K
Water Service Development Plan	L
Rural Development Plan	M
Roads Asset Management Plan	N
Organisational Performance Management Framework	O
Mangaung Metropolitan Open Space System	P

- 4) That the IDP 2022/2027 and sector plans will be submitted to both the departments of Treasury and COGTA and further be published on the municipal website.

2.

A. MEDIUM TERM REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FRAMEWORK 2022/23 – 2024/25
31 MAY 2022

B. BUDGET POLICIES

- I. Draft amended 13th Supply Chain Management Policy 31 March 2022
- II. Tariffs policy 2021/2022
- III. Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality Adopt-A-Park Policy 2021/2022
- IV. Virement Policy 2021/2022
- V. Draft cost containment policy
- VI. Credit Control and Debt Collection Policy
- VII. Policy on Indigent Customers 30 June 2022
- VIII. MMM travel management policy
- IX. Principles and Policy on the writing off of irrecoverable debt 30 June 2022
- X. Property Rates Policy 2022/2023 for implementation 1 July

C. GENERAL TARIFFS 2022/2023 – 2024/25

D. CAPEX BOOKLET 2022/23 – 2023/25

E. CENTLEC (SOC) LTD

1. MTREF 2022/2023 Narrative Report
2. Annexures
3. Policies
4. SDBIP 2022 2023
5. Business Plan 2022/2023

It was thereupon with 54 in favour, 42 against and 2 abstained.

RESOLVED

BUDGET RELATED RESOLUTIONS

1. Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality in terms of Section 21(b) of the Municipality Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003, tables the 2022/23 annual budget for adoption with the total consolidated revenue of R9,789 billion, operating expenditure of R8,157 billion and capital expenditure of R 1,281 billion and the indicative allocations for the two outer years of the MTREF period including the multi-year and single-year capital appropriations, as set out in the following tables, for approval:
 - (a) Budgeted Financial Performance (revenue and expenditure by standard classification): - Table A2
 - (b) Budgeted Financial Performance (revenue and expenditure by municipal vote): - Table A3
 - (c) Budgeted Financial Performance (revenue by source and expenditure by type): - Table A4
 - (d) Multi-year and single year capital appropriations by municipal vote and standard classification and associated funding by source - Table A5

2. That the consolidated financial position, cash flow, cash-backed reserve/accumulated surplus, asset management and basic service delivery targets be approved, as set out in the following tables:

(a) Budgeted Financial Position -	Table A6
(b) Budgeted Cash Flows -	Table A7
(c) Cash-backed reserves and accumulated surplus reconciliation -	Table A8
(d) Asset Management -	Table A9
(e) Consolidated Basic Service Delivery measurement -	Table A10

3. That the consolidated budget that includes Mangaung Municipality and Centlec (SOC) Ltd be approved and that Centlec's standalone Budget be aligned to the consolidated budget as stated on 3.7. and 3.8 below,

4. That the Council of Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality acting in terms of Section 75A of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000 as amended, hereby tables the following tariffs for approval and implementation with effect from 01 July 2022:

1) Supply of Electricity	Page 53
2) Property Rates	Page 58
3) Sewerage Fees	Page 63
4) Refuse Removal Fees	Page 65
5) Supply of Water	Page 69

5. That the consolidated General Tariffs as set out in the Tariffs Booklet for the 2022/23 financial year be adopted for implementation with effect from 01 July 2022.

6. That in terms of Section 21(b) (ii)(bb) of the Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003 the budget related policies including any amendments be approved.

7. That Council should note that Entity's budgeted financial position has been amended on consolidation, to reflect the current shareholder loan agreement, instead of the issued equity as per the later budgeted statements.

8. That the Centlec (SOC) Ltd budget submissions for the period 2022/23 – 2024/25 be noted as set out below, subject to the limitation of 3.7 above:

- a. MTREF Operating and Capital Budget (as incorporated in the consolidated budget above).
- b. Service Tariffs
- c. Policies
- d. Business Plan
- e. SDBIP

The meeting officially closed at 12h44.