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ITEM :1

TEMPORARY RELOCATION OF JB MAFORA COMMONAGE (BLOEMFONTEIN) TO MARTINDALE (BLOEMFONTEIN).

1. Purpose

To seek council approval to temporary, utilize Martindale plots (107,162,168,169) Bloemfontein owned by the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality for the translocation of JB Mafora Commonage.

2. Strategic intent

Poverty reduction, job creation, rural and economic development.

3. For decision/consideration by

Section 80 Committee on Rural Development/ Mayoral Committee/ Council.

4. Introduction and background

It is alleged that JB Mafora Commonage Group illegally occupied portion of the farm belonging to the George Nicholas Trust as from 2019, without any authorization. In 2020, the group were summoned by the sheriff of the court to vacate the land. Upon receiving the summon they contacted municipality for assistance regarding the land, unfortunately to this date they have not received any joy.

JB Mafora Commonage have been owning livestock for some time. There are approximately 48 livestock owners dubbing themselves JB Mafora Commonage in Bloemfontein area with a total number of 1429 small livestock (i.e., 263 sheep, 132 goats, 253 pig, 781 Chic's).

The land that JB Mafora Commonage occupies is not suitable for livestock hence the necessity for the relocation of the commonage to Vacant plots of Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality in Martindale. Relocating a poorly placed JB Mafora will provide significant benefits to the operation of the commonage. Benefits can include improved livestock health, reduced degradation of the current location, improve livestock farming function and improved public perception. In addition to

environmental and production benefits, the translocation of the JB Mafora Commonage will result in improved operational efficiencies.

Livestock farming is an important part of the Mangaung Metro Municipality economy, especially for the continued growth and prosperity of emerging farmers and SMME's.

5. Proposed land for the relocation

In consideration of the conditions and administration of the current JB Mafora Commonage, the number and different livestock, it is proposed that the JB Mafora Commonage be relocated Martindale plots (107,162,168,169), Bloemfontein. Martindale plot 107 (4,3214) ha. plot 162 (4,2786) ha. Plot 168 (4,2808) ha. plot 169(7,0426) ha. in extent that will potentially accommodate the relocated livestock Also included is the locality map.

6. Current Conditions and Space Summaries

The current conditions justification for relocating intervention are:

- Structures in the commonage are derelict and not built to the standard.
- The animals will primarily be in pasture conditions.
- Utilization of appropriate land mass to accommodate relocated livestock.
- Improved livestock health.
- Improved livestock farming function and improved public perception.

7. Financial Implication

There will be no financial implication of the JB Mafora Commonage to the above-mentioned municipal farmland. available grazing land and improve the quality of the livestock with the goal of sustaining small-scale and emerging farmers.

8. Recommendations

1. That Council approve temporary translocation of JB Mafora Commonage in Bloemfontein to Martindale plots 8,107,162,168,169 consisting of approximately 48 owners with a total 1429 small livestock, at no cost to the municipality.
2. That all livestock be relocated to Martindale to determine if any livestock is not suffering from contagious disease or may prove dangerous to human life.
3. That any livestock found to be contagious disease or prove dangerous to human life be impounded by SPCA and dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the Keeping of Animals, Poultry and Bees By-Law (as promulgated by Local Government Notice No. 35of 24 June 2016) and the Animal Diseases Act, (Act no. 35 of 1984). *✍*

4. That the identified municipal smallholdings be utilized for the livestock farming and commonage purpose only.

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