
Your Ref: Clr T Van Der Walt
Room 201, Bram Fischer Building

Our Ref: 12/1/9/4/2
Date: 25 May 2023

Clr T Van Der Walt

D.A Councillor

Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality

Dear Councillor Van Der Walt

RESPONSE TO RULE 38 QUESTION. DIESEL COST AND TIME LOST FOR WASTE COLLECTION DUE TO VEREENIGING AVENUE CLOSURE

Your letter dated 16 May 2022 regarding the above-mentioned matter refers.

Question 1:

What was the estimated monthly increase in diesel cost, kilometers travelled and lost working hours due to travelling times for Mangaung Refuse Trucks?

Response:

From the solar system, there was no significant increase which can be solely attributable to the increased travelling of refuse trucks. The fuel cost for refuse trucks is not easy to calculate on their own for the following reasons:

- the fuel vote of MMM is combined for all fleet.
- The fuel costs fluctuate every month thus making it difficult to know diesel price per month for the duration of the closure of the road.
- Total cost of diesel used per month is dependent on various factors including the number of operational trucks, events such as mayoral campaigns and cleaning campaigns etc.

Question 2:

Is it likely that this expense will be seen as wasteful expenditure by the Auditor General?

- a. If yes, who will be held responsible for this expense?**
- b. If not, why not?**

Response: The Metro is not in the position to reply on what the AG findings will be on an item that was not yet raised. If any finding is raised in terms of the normal procedures during the Audit. The Department will be requested to respond in line with RFI's issued by the AG.

Yours faithfully


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Ngaka Dumalisile
Acting City Manager
Date: 26/06/23
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2023/05/16

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Further To: The ACTING EXECUTIVE MAYOR of the Mangaung Metro Municipality

BY EMAIL

Dear Madame and Gentlemen

DIESEL COST AND TIME LOST FOR WASTE COLLECTION DUE TO VEREENIGING AVENUE CLOSURE

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 councillor committee meeting and the political office bearer and the City Manager shall ensure that the member receive a written reply at the meeting.

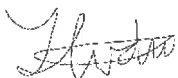
38.2 If after the question has been replied to, a member is of the opinion that the reply is not clear or satisfactory, he or she may with the permission of the speaker or chairperson, request a follow-up question, follow –up question should be in writing.

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

The Vereeniging Avenue Road project is now years late with the completion and opening:

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2. Is it likely that this expense will be seen as wasteful expenditure by the Auditor General?
 - a. If yes, who will be held responsible for this expense?
 - b. If not, why not?

Sincerely,
Ward 23 Councillor
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