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ATTENDANCE REGISTER

#	NAME	PARTY	LEAVE
1	<u>Speaker</u> Cllr Mathae (Bongani Lawrence)	ANC	
2	<u>Executive Mayor</u> Cllr Nthatisi (Gregory Mosala Solomon)	ANC	
3	<u>Deputy Executive Mayor</u> Cllr Titi-Odili (Lulama Magdeline)	ANC	
4	<u>Council Whip</u> Cllr Nikelo (Vumile Edwin)	ANC 28	
SECTION 79 CHAIRPERSONS			
5	<u>Rules</u> Cllr Mokgothu (Tona Kenosi Wilfred)	ANC 2	
6	<u>MPAC</u> Cllr Makoloane (Itumeleng Justice)	ANC 36	
7	<u>Petitions and Community Liaison</u> Cllr Morake (Molefi Andries)	ANC	
8	<u>Remunerations</u> Cllr Tladi (Motshewa Martha)	ANC	
9	<u>Public Places and Street Naming</u> Cllr Mogotloane (Thabo Joel)	ANC 39	
MEMBERS OF MAYORAL COMMITTEE			
10	<u>MMC: Corporate Services</u> Cllr SP Tsoleli	ANC	
11	<u>MMC: Community Services</u> Cllr A Qai	AIC	
12	<u>MMC: Economic Development</u> Cllr MM Letawana	ANC	
13	<u>MMC: IDP and Performance Management</u> Cllr MT Mosala	ANC 11	Absent with apology
14	<u>MMC: Planning and Human Settlements</u> Cllr NA Nhlapo	ANC	
15	<u>MMC: Public Safety and Transport</u> Cllr CL Kruger	ANC 16	
16	<u>MMC: Agriculture and Rural Development</u> Cllr PS Twala	ATM	
17	<u>MMC: Technical Services</u> Cllr VS Soqaga	ANC	
18	<u>MMC: Waste & Fleet Management</u> Cllr VE Jonas	ANC	

PR COUNCILLORS			
19	Cllr Bothma (Andries Francois)	DA	Absent with apology
20	Cllr Bouwer (Chadwine Lyle)	DA	
21	Cllr Davies (Maryke)	DA	
22	Cllr De Bruin (John Matthews)	PA	
23	Cllr De-Huis (Dikeledi Jane)	EFF	
24	Cllr De Kock (Valerie Belinda)	FFPlus	
25	Cllr Denner (John Henry)	FFPlus	
26	Cllr Ferreira (Thomas Ignatius)	DA	Absent with apology
27	Cllr Klaasen Raynie Sarah	DA	
28	Cllr Letsoko (Mantwa Sanah)	EFF	
29	Cllr Lipale (Gopolang Jeremiah)	EFF	
30	Cllr Makau (Pitso Elias)	EFF	
31	Cllr Malebo (Deliwe Lettia)	EFF	
32	Cllr Maliela (Motiki Edwin)	DA	
33	Cllr Matobole (Mosala Abel)	DA	
34	Cllr Matsoetlane (Maditaba Joyce)	ANC	
35	Cllr Mogotsi (Mamahlope Elisa)	EFF	
36	Cllr Mohlamme (Lebohlang Lerato)	DA	
37	Cllr Mokoena (John Itumeleng)	AASD	Absent with apology
38	Cllr Mongale (Mojalefa William)	AASD	
39	Cllr Moreeng (Kabelo Christopher)	DA	
40	Cllr Mtshakazane (Eunice Xoliswa)	EFF	Absent without apology
41	Cllr Njiva-Lebajoa (Mamotse)	DA	Absent with apology
42	Cllr Phohleli (Tsholwane Eddy)	EFF	
43	Cllr Phupha (Ntsoaki Agnes)	PA	
44	Cllr Ramatlama (Mpho Joseph)	EFF	
45	Cllr Rammile (Tumelo Kingsley)	DA	

46	Cllr Rampai (Pule Joseph)	ACDP	
47	Cllr Sebolao (Jankie Elisha)	EFF	Absent with apology
48	Cllr Shale (Nkahiseng Reginah)	EFF	Absent without apology
49	Cllr Snyman (Pieter Adriaan)	DA	
50	Cllr Snyman van Deventer (Elizabeth)	FFPlus	Absent with apology
51	Cllr Terblanche (Arthur Phillip)	DA	Absent with apology
52	Cllr Thomas (Johannes Beleme)	EFF	
53	Cllr Viviers (Benhardus Jacobus)	DA	Absent with apology
54	Cllr Vorster (Braam)	FFPlus	
55	Cllr Wewege (Mare-Lize)	FFPlus	Absent with apology
56	VACANT	DA	
WARD COUNCILLORS			
57	Cllr Sefaki (Samuel)	ANC 1	
58	Cllr Machachamise (Tshepiso Oudious)	ANC 3	
59	Cllr Supi (Mahoko Harold)	ANC 4	
60	Cllr Lecoko (Lehlohonolo Nathaniel)	ANC 5	
61	Cllr Moilola (Tshidiso Petrus)	ANC 6	
62	Cllr Sehloho (Siza Clement)	ANC 7	
63	Cllr Nyaphudi (Likeleli Julia)	ANC 8	
64	Cllr Tlhakung (Betty Masetlhabi)	ANC 9	Absent without apology
65	Cllr Setlai (Teboho Lesley)	ANC 10	
66	Cllr Hashatsi (Rafedile)	ANC 12	
67	Cllr Siteo (Nombulelo Dorcas)	ANC 13	Absent without apology
68	Cllr Lekgetho (Lebogang Winston)	ANC 14	
69	Cllr Mohibidu (Pulane Martha)	ANC 15	
70	Cllr Mohatle (Mampone Sally)	ANC 17	
71	Cllr Van Noord (Gregory Owen)	DA 18	

72	Cllr Peter (Seth Qondile)	ANC 19	
73	Cllr van Rensburg (Corize)	20 DA	
74	Cllr Lotriet (Pieter Adam)	DA 21	
75	Cllr Cronje (Jan-Hendrik)	DA 22	
76	Cllr van der Walt (Tjaart Botha)	DA 23	
77	Cllr Kotze (Gerhardus Dirk Petrus)	DA 24	
78	Cllr Kotze (Paul Mare')	DA 25	
79	Cllr van Niekerk (Hendrik Johannes Christiaan)	DA 26	
80	Cllr Banyane (Zachous Nechodemus)	ANC 27	
81	Cllr Matsephe (Dikololo Elias)	ANC 29	
82	Cllr Tukula (Teboho Daniel)	ANC 30	
83	Cllr Mabena (Mere Joel)	ANC 31	
84	Cllr Menyatso (Thabang Victory)	ANC 32	
85	Cllr Mohono (Tshidiso Augustine)	ANC 33	
86	Cllr Tshwane (Kabi Daniel)	ANC 34	
87	Cllr Fantisi (Teboho Samuel)	ANC 35	
88	Cllr Ramolelle (Mmota Simon)	ANC 37	
89	Cllr Matsoso (Molahloane Florenciah)	ANC 38	
90	Cllr Pholoholo (Ntebaleng Petunia)	ANC 40	
91	Cllr Dintlhwane (Mantja Agnes)	ANC 41	
92	Cllr Mothupi (Maqoma Lazarus)	ANC 42	
93	Cllr Nkiane (Mpho Elizabeth)	ANC 43	
94	Cllr Pretorius (Selmé)	DA 44	
95	Cllr Mathe (Lisiwe Jeanette)	ANC 45	
96	Cllr Majoro (Mpho Samuel)	ANC 46	
97	Cllr Maartens (Jan-Rudolf)	DA 47	

98	Cllr Pretorius (Johannes Christiaan)	DA 48	Absent with apology
99	Cllr Lekhwele (Mohanuwa Julia)	ANC 49	
100	Cllr Monare (Thabo Nicholas)	ANC 50	
101	Cllr Mohulatsi (Mamoorosi Margaret)	ANC 51	

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

#	DESIGNATION	NAME/S
1	CITY MANAGER	MR SELLO MORE
2	HOD: TECHNICAL SERVICES	MR REVELATION MASOBENG
3	HOD: PLANNING, ECONOMIC & RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS	MS NOKUTHULA CHAKANE
4	HOD: CORPORATE SERVICES	MR MOKETE DUMA
5	HOD: PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY	MR ISRAEL KGAMANYANE
6	HOD: COMMUNITY SERVICES	DR T THINDA
7	HEAD OF MPAC	MR DIPHOKO SEKAKANYO
8	ACTING GM: COMMUNICATIONS	MS NICOLETTE MAYSIELS
9	GM: COMMITTEE SERVICES	MS XOLISWA QILO
10	ACTING MANAGER: COUNCIL SUPPORT	MS RINA MAMATELA

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 humbly 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) (Leave Form).
3. **Name-plates:** Councillors are humbly requested to please take along their nameplates and to display it throughout the meeting.
4. **Apologies during the course of the Council meeting:** Councillors are humbly requested to complete in full and submit the relevant apology form for this purpose (Leave 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)**

171.

OPENING

(MOMENT OF SILENT CONTEMPLATION FOR MEDITATION AND PRAYERS)

The meeting commenced at 12h02.

The Speaker confirmed that 73 Councillors were in attendance and thus constituting a quorum. He then officially opened the meeting and requested all to observe a moment of silent contemplation for meditation and prayers.

The Speaker acknowledged the Executive Mayor, Deputy Executive Mayor, Council Whip, Members of the Mayoral Committee, Chairpersons of Council Standing Committees (or Section 79 Committees), Whips of various Section 79 and 80 Committees, Party Whips Honourable Councillors, City Manager and HODs, CEO of Centlec and HODs, the Ombudsman of the Municipality, media and Mangaung citizens.

NOTED.

172.

NOTICE OF THE MEETING

The Speaker stated that in terms of the approved schedule, the meeting should be the last for the 2025 calendar year. He then read the notice as outlined on page 2 of the agenda.

NOTED.

173.

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 pages of the minutes.

NOTED.

174.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Cllr MW Mongale moved for the acceptance of the agenda and was seconded by the Council Whip.

The agenda was duly adopted.

NOTED.

175.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker allowed Councillors to pass convey word of sympathy to the passing of Cllr ME Dennis and make announcements as follows:

Cllr JH Denner: “Speaker, first of all, congratulations on your degree that you have obtained.

On a lighter note, the Freedom Front Plus would like to congratulate Nabo Sokoyi, one of our own sons from Bloemfontein, on his outstanding performance for the Blitzboks. His fantastic try and overall contribution enabled South Africa to secure consecutive Sevens series victories. This achievement is a proud moment, not only for Bloemfontein, but for South African rugby as a whole. We may well be witnessing the rise of another Cheslin Kolbe, and the future certainly looks bright.

On a more serious note, Speaker, the municipality has, in a very short space of time, lost two much loved and respected prominent public representatives, both from the Democratic Alliance. It is always with a heavy heart that one rises to deliver a motion of condolence for a colleague we have lost.

On behalf of the Freedom Front Plus, I wish to extend our deepest condolences to the Democratic Alliance caucus, the family, and all loved ones of the late Cllr Dalena Dennis. She was a dedicated public servant who served her community with commitment and compassion. Through her work as a Councillor, she made a meaningful contribution to local government and to the lives of the residents she represented, and her service will be remembered.

May her family, friends, colleagues, and the community find strength in the memories of her life, her legacy, and the impact she had on those around her. As Jack Thorne eloquently stated, “Those who love never truly leave us, for there are things that death cannot touch. May her soul rest in perfect peace. Thank you, Speaker.”

Cllr MM Letawana: “Thank you, honourable speaker, executive mayor, chief whip, honourable councillors, the officials present, the media. I wish to make this announcement on behalf of the Department of Economic Development. The Department of Small Business Development is relaunching the Asset Assist Programme, offering for this initiative is aimed at 250,000 grants for the purpose I highlighted, Speaker, and the applications are actually open from the 5th of

December and closing on the 9th of January 2026. The program which aims to provide equipment to boost productivity as well as to scale operations of the MSME, our medium, small and micro enterprises. We call upon all interested persons to take up this opportunity to further and grow their business. And this coming Friday, which is the 19th of December 2026, at 10 o'clock, Floreat Hall, the department invites all the interested persons to a meeting where we intend to take them through the eligibility criteria. Therefore, we call upon the people of Mangaung to take up this opportunity for the purpose of growing their business.

Cllr T Van Der Walt: “Thank you, Speaker. Firstly, the Democratic Alliance would like to thank the Council, the Speaker, and the different parties that have spoken to us and sent messages of condolences both to us and to the family.

Another speaker, the Mayor and Chief Whip of Council, attended the funeral also. We appreciate all the messages and well wishes to the family. We will miss her; she walked deep footprints in Mangaung. As I said, I think in the Free State, definitely in the Democratic Alliance, and in areas such as Hospitaal Park, Wilgehof, Universities, Batho location, Sports and Phahameng, that entire area, a lot of people got to know her, and she made an impact on a lot of lives there. And just once again, I want to convey our sympathies and give our thoughts and prayers to the family and friends, and colleagues of Councillor “Mapakiso” Dennis.

Then, Speaker, the Democratic Alliance requested the Mayor on 21 November to urgently table an item in Council, but we see it is not on the agenda yet. I do not know if the Mayor plans to address it, maybe. But this is an existential matter: it relates to the Treasury letter informing Mangaung of the intention to withhold the equitable share. We call on the Mayor — I see he is not present at the moment. I hope people are listening. Take the city, the residents, Council, and employees into confidence and give clarity on three main questions that need to be answered. The first is the equitable share. We were told it was expected in December. According to the best information I have to date, it has not been paid into the accounts of Mangaung by National Treasury.

Second, we call on the Mayor to provide the correspondence from National Treasury as well as the response by the Mayor on behalf of Council and Treasury. Yesterday, yes, as I was doing...”

Point of order raised by Cllr MM Tladi: Thank you, Honourable Speaker. My point of order is that I would like to understand which item the councillor is debating. As far as I know, we are currently under Announcements, and time was allocated for the councillor who has passed on. I therefore do not understand which part of the agenda he is speaking on. Thank you.

Cllr T Van Der Walt continued: “Thank you, Speaker. I am coming to the announcement.

Lastly, with regard to the contingency plans, it is critical that we know what those contingency plans are should the anticipated funds not be received. Employees are expecting their salaries to be paid on 18 December, and we need to know what arrangements have been made in that regard.

Speaker, I understand that this item deals with MPAC. However, this is not an MPAC matter.

It is National Treasury that is withholding our equitable share. And this is an existential threat to the cash flow of Mangaung. This needs to be addressed, and it is not addressed in that item.”

Point of order raised by Cllr CL Kruger: “I would like to support the point of order because this thing of “kena ka die venster” cannot happen”.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

Deputy Executive Mayor, Cllr L Titi Odili: “Thank you very much, Honourable Speaker. Let us not mislead the community and Council. Honourable Speaker, there are processes that have to be undertaken to discuss matters such as this. We do have Section 80 Finance in this institution. Letters pertaining to National Treasury will be discussed in that Section 80 committee, and the proper report will come to this committee, and the Section 80 report that deals with those matters.

Honourable Speaker, in terms of monitoring, there is also a report required by Section 52D and Section 52 that is supposed to come to this Council, which will give this Council a proper account of what exactly happened.

The matter that the Councillor is mentioning here, which he says is risky to the Council, is a matter that the administration of this institution must deal with. It will definitely be part of the report that the Finance Section 80 committee will discuss and will bring to this Council.”

The Speaker of Council: “Thank you, Councillors. May we please not spoil this moment? Today, the seat of Cllr. Dennis is empty. We are trying to be respectful of that.”

Cllr JM De Bruin: “Thank you Speaker and Honourable Councillors, firstly on behalf of the Patriotic Alliance we would like to thank the Premier MaQueen Letsoha-Mathae for how fast she reacted with Cllr Swartz regarding the accident of Junior King, a young artist whom we lost last Thursday in between Vekeerdevlei and Windburg. She further assisted at Pelonomi hospital as well. The child who is 4 years old was taken to theatre for a emergency operation. I would also like to thank our president Mr Gayton Mckenzie for the coloured lives matters history that he made 1 December 2026. That we as the coloureds will be recognised from next year after the elections of 2026. Because in the time of apartheid, we were not white enough and in post-apartheid not black enough. As the Patriotic Alliance we say watch the space after 2026, we as the coloureds will be ruling all over local municipalities. I thank you”.

Cllr MW Mongale: Thank you, Honourable Speaker, Dr. Mathae.

Sometimes in the streets of hatred, some people mistake me for being part of that community. And I know I am part of it as an African, because I never see myself as anything other than African. That is our historical perspective. I do not want to go back to the debate of 1973 at the United Nations, where it was agreed—even scientists agreed—that humankind has no colour. The issue of colour was man-made to discriminate against us. As humanity, we all fall under the human race.

The issue we wanted to address is the issue of Cllr. Dennis, whom we buried last week Friday. We firstly want to congratulate the City of Mangaung Metro for rising to the occasion and making sure that the Executive pitched up for that funeral. They did not just pitch up; they came in full force to show that in death, we are one. There is no boundary. We see each other as humanity, and humanity prevailed on Friday, and we appreciate that.

I spoke about it where I go, and I say, as I come back, this is what people want. We want that culture. We must disagree, but we must not lose our humanity. So, Cllr. Mapakiso also brought us that element, because her character was a reflection of humanity.

Every time you met Cllr. Mapakiso, she was able to speak to you in Sesotho. It would embarrass you, that we, as Africans, do not speak Sesotho. That is a challenge to all of us: when someone reaches out, you must also reach out. That is our character as South Africans, and we should never lose it, even in the moment of our heated debate. We are one, and we have a common purpose. One day we will be sitting side by side, and as we look back and say, “we made it.”

Cllr. Mapakiso was one of those people who was an ambassador of South Africa—not only of the Democratic Alliance, but of South Africa—to show what kind of humanity we need in this country. We appreciate her life, and we thank the Democratic Alliance for recognising her and making sure that Council and the community know about her.

We also appreciate the gift that the family has given us. We said to the family: thank you for gifting us with this beautiful flower. It indeed smells so sweet and it flourished amongst us. We learned from her all the good things she has done and all the humanity she showed. She never waited for you to come and greet her; she was the one who came to you and introduced herself. We never had to ask what her name was. She was the one who came to tell us, “My name is Mapakiso. How are you?”

These are the realities that we do not have enough of. But as the African Alliance of Social Democrats, we appreciate knowing her. I am saying this even on behalf of the President and the entire membership of the African Alliance of Social Democrats. The names may seem similar, but they differ to a certain degree. They are different. The issue is that we appreciate the moment of sharing space with this wonderful soul, and we thank the Lord for giving us this beautiful soul in Mangaung.

May her soul rest in peace. May she sleep well.”

Cllr CL Kruger: “Edele Speaker, Edele Councillors en die gemeenskap van Mangaung.

Vandag is vir my n groot voorreg om ook om my medelye te kan betoon met Councilor Dennis en ek se dankie vir die Here vir die voorreg wat ek gehad het om haar te kon ken. Ek wil dit noem dat ons baiekeer lunch (middagete) saam geeet het maar ek kan dit ook noem dat ek en Councilor al n woordewisseling gehad het. Maar vandag se ek vir die Here dankie vir die geleentheid wat ek gekry het waar ek en sy kon vrede maak weens n misverstand.

Ek wil baie dankie se vir haar karakter, haar nederigheid, maar baie wil ek dankie se vir haar karakter van wysheid en hoe sy altyd mense om haar getreat (behandel) het. So ek wil vir haar se: May your soul continue to rest in peace (Mag u siel aanhou om in ewige vrede te rus).

Honourable Speaker, as the Ward Councillor for Ward 16, can I just extend a word of gratitude to the municipality, especially to MMC Tsoleli, as MMC of Corporate Services, because facilities fall under Corporate Services.

In opening the Heidedal swimming pool, there were challenges, but all of them have been solved. Some wanted to claim victory, but as you know, God has way of exposing things. Let me extend my gratitude as the Ward Councillor.

Then also, as the Ward Councillor for Ward 16, it gives me great honour to bring to your attention that, as we are speaking, our Chess Foundation has seven kids from Heidedal representing the Free State at the Mzansi Interprovincial Youth Chess Championship. They are representing the Free State Province.”

Point of order raised by Cllr JM De Bruin: “Honourable Speaker, I hope that while Councillor Kruger is still on the floor, she can fight for our children in her ward to pay a lesser amount to be able to use the swimming pool before they go and swim again in the quarry. I thank you.”

Cllr CL Kruger continued: Seven children from my ward will represent the Free State at the Mzansi inter-provincial youth chess. I note the Executive Mayor's prayer session on 16 December at City Hall, commemorating Reconciliation Day. We appointed the first black chief of fire, Mr Patrick Senti, with 25 years' service, guided by our transformation agenda.

Cllr DJ De-Huis: “E re ke lebohe Motsamaisa wa dipuisano and also take this opportunity to greet honorable Mayor, Executive Mayor, deputy, and the whole counselor of Mangaung.

Ntate Mathae Bongani Lawrence re le mokgatlo wa EFF Mangaung re rata ho nka monyetla o na re fetisa matshidiso a rona ho ba lelapa la ha Denise. Particularly bana ba hae ba setseng, molekane le bana ba neng a phela le bona.

Re phethe hape re fetisetse matshidiso a rona ka hare ho mokgatlo wa Democratic Alliance ka ha re ho Mangaung.

Ke ne ke batla ho e etsa ka Sesotho ntho e na Ntate Mathae mare jwale ke ne ke sa batle ho e fetisa mo e batlang ho ya teng counselor. Neketlo bina sefela mare be ke thola. Ka lebaka la hore Mme Mapakiso o entse mesebetsi e me ngata ka hare ho Mangaung some of us we knew her ha ne re kena ka hare ho council e ne e le e mong wa batho ba neng ba nale tsebo e tiileng, e tibileng ya hore na ho etsahala eng ka hare ho Mangaung.

Re lebohela bophelo ba hae councilor Mongale jwalo ka ha o se o hlalositse, ene e le lelomo le nkgang ha monate. Wa tseba ho nale malomo a mang a e reng hao le nkgella obo feroha dibete, mare yena e ne ele lelomo le nang le monko o monate. If ole motho ya ratang di roses you will understand.

Bo mme le bo ntate hake batle ho kena moyeng e re ke re fela ho lelapa la ha Mongale, lelapa la ha Denise ke re feela Bibe e ke e balang ke sa tsebe lona, ha o ntse o theoha hantle ka yona, ke Jakobo ha ntse a le leetong, o ile a buwa nthonyana e le nngwe feela a re "Ntate Modimo hao ka mpaballa ka ya, ka ba ka kgutla, ke tlo bowela keo leboha hona sebakeng sena".

Democratic Alliance we salute you although you are the opposition party, but you brought something within Mangaung. Di footsteps tsa Mme Mapakiso will never be forgotten.

Ha moya wa hae o dule o phomola, robala ka kgotso. Ke a leboha"

Cllr PJ Rampai: "Thank you, Honourable Speaker.

We remember Councillor Dalena Dennis, a person who worked very hard to help the people of Mangaung. She cared deeply about the city and the people who lived here. She spent almost 20 years serving the community. She started as a Councillor in 2006, working across all areas of Mangaung. In 2016, she was one of the strongest voices for service delivery, and she always strived for the best for the people.

Councillor Dennis was not just a leader in politics; she was also a kind and private person. She spoke so warmly and was keen to learn about different cultures. Her friends and coworkers saw her as a teacher, a good friend, and someone they could trust. She listened to the people and wanted to help everyone, no matter who they were. Her life was about helping others and being kind. She showed that being a leader means caring for people and making sure everyone feels important. She wanted every voice to be heard and every person to feel valued.

We are saddened by her passing, but we also celebrate her wonderful life. Let us remember her by being respectful, helpful, and by working together to make our city better. May her soul rest in peace. Thank you."

Council Whip, Cllr V Nikelo: "Honourable Speaker, on behalf of the party, and on behalf of us all who participated, I also join those who have conveyed their gratitude and the weight of our condolences to the family.

Indeed, we have lost one of the best, especially in the opposition. I used to find her to be a handful at times, but she was a person who knew how to serve the community. She worked within the localities, especially in the fluency and industry spaces, and she made it easy for herself to connect with the constituencies she served.

Apart from that, Cllr. Mapakiso was a very good storyteller. Whenever you met her, she would relate stories of how she grew up on the farms and how she learned to speak Sesotho. But apart from that, she was passionate about service delivery. You would never have a discussion with Cllr. Mapakiso without her showing pictures of every situation she came across. Even in multiparty forums, that is how she was—we always heard from her, especially before every meeting we were going to have. I just want to say to the whole Denis family and to the political party she served her whole life: may the soul of Cllr Mapakiso rest in eternal peace.

On the same note, Honourable Speaker, I also want to take this moment to acknowledge that on the 15th of November there was a tragic accident on the N8, where about 11 community members from Wards 31, 32, 33 and 35 lost their lives. On behalf of the caucus of the AC, and on behalf of Mangaung, we also wish to convey our condolences to the families of those community members who passed away in that horrific car accident.

And lastly, Honourable Speaker, Ke kopa e na ho e bua ka Sesotho hore etle e kgone ho utlwahala. Ka mane ka di overall tse kgubedu ha re lakaletsa e mong wa bona ya tlabeng a tjhata ka moqebelo Ntate Ramatlama rea o lebohisa.”

Cllr AP Terblanche: “Almal praat nou van Daleen Dennis. Ek wil persoonlik vir haar se: Ek ken haar 19 en n half jaar. Parfitt-laan. Parfitt-laan in dieselfde raad, het Daleen gepraat wat die opposition (opposisie) altyd gese het: Rassie Erasmus, as jy jou mond oopmaak, is Parfitt-laan. Maar Daleen baie dankie as ek elke dag in Parfitt-laan ry, as ek maar gedink dit was maar n 2way en vandag is dit n 4way, om te dink hoe sou dit gebeur het as jy nie ge-fight (geveg) het vir Parfitt-laan nie. Baie dankie Daleen. As ek daar ry, dan dink ek aan jou. En julle praat nou van die troue mr Whip, ek wil net vir julle se: vandag is ek 41jaar getroud. Dankie”

Speaker: “Thank you Councillors. Today’s council will be a very short council. I have dedicated only two hours to this council, so I’m going to appeal to councillors that we should not prolong our debates. I know all debates are important, but we should at least try to minimise other distractions.

I am just waiting for one more thing, because the nameplate of Councillor Denis has been permanently removed from the council chamber. I just need to hand it over to the Whip of the DA.”

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DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

NOTED.

The Executive Mayor presented the report and highlighted the following:

“The report now before the House is Item 177: Approval of the Mangaung Metropolitan District Development Model One Plan.

This document is one of the documents we are required to finalise for submission to the province and national government. It is important that our views, inputs, and concerns are reflected to ensure that this programme is properly implemented and delivers on its objectives.

I believe that since these are substantive issues, the council team will be able to address them accordingly.”

NOTED.

1.

APPROVAL OF MANGAUNG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT MODEL ONE PLAN

Cllr JH Denner addressed the Council:” Speaker: It is deeply worrying that we are once again presenting an item with serious concerns regarding the approval of the Mangaung Metro Municipality District Development Model One Plan.

The same item was tabled before council in June 2023. It was subsequently withdrawn by the Mayor after it became clear that councillors had not received the required documentation in time. At that meeting, councillors across political parties requested that the documents be formally withdrawn or replaced, and that a thorough explanation be provided.

If this is our response, it has taken 30 months. Now the item is returned to council, once again rushed and prepared in a manner that expects councillors to rubber-stamp it.

What is more troubling is that the report itself admits to serious shortcomings. It indicates that key stakeholders, including Statistics South Africa and the Office of the Premier, were not consulted.

Speaker, this is concerning, especially for a metro in the condition that Mangaung Metro Municipality currently finds itself in. At the same time, this council has been asked to approve the One Plan while residents continue to experience power outages and water service failures.

The One Plan means very little without clear and measurable timelines, budgeting, financial stability, and action against fruitless and irregular expenditure.

For these reasons, the Freedom Front Plus cannot support the Plan. The residents of Mangaung Metro Municipality deserve credible planning, transparency, and service delivery — not rushed documents and problems that are simply kicked down the road to be handled later. Thank you.”

Cllr MW Mongale addressed the Council: “Thank you, Speaker. I will not speak at length, but before I speak on this issue, I would like to agree with the previous speaker from the Freedom Front Plus.

This document was taken back and was never taken to the relevant committees as agreed. The committees should have processed the document first, and only then should it have come to council after they had deliberated on it. This is so the document can speak to the current issues we are facing and bring solutions to our problems.

Let me make it clear: we want to support the District Development Model One Plan for Mangaung. We want to support it because it is one of the solutions that can address unemployment in the city.

However, having gone through the document, it is very voluminous but relies on outdated statistics. Some data emanates from 2016, and that was the last time the report was updated with regard to statistics. The Mangaung Metro Report and STF Report used are from 2020. We are dealing with data that is five years old, yet the situation has changed significantly.

For example:

Life expectancy: The report shows it is very low. We need a contingency plan to improve life expectancy in Mangaung.

Migration: There is high migration from rural to urban areas. What is the contingency plan? What is rural development doing to turn towns like Thaba Nchu and other farming areas into economic hubs, so people do not leave rural areas for the city?

Education and skills: The report states that 10% of our people are in institutions of higher learning. Yet we have more than three institutions in Mangaung, plus numerous training institutions and SETA offices in the city. There seems to be no plan to increase access or take advantage of these institutions.

Economic growth: We have financial sector and funding institutions present, but they are not assisting in making Mangaung an advanced economic hub. You cannot grow the economy without growing human capital.

Poverty and unemployment: 36.6% of our people live in poverty. This should be treated as a state of emergency so we can address it meaningfully. High unemployment leads to teenage pregnancy, gangsterism, HIV prevalence, and vulnerability to pandemics. This should serve as a warning that we need a plan and urgent engagements to find mechanisms to fix this crisis.

I have seen in the document a statement that we need to align education with the skills the market needs. That must be done as a matter of urgency, not just talked about. We have spoken about salt, but we do not have a mining agreement. We talk about the airport in Tempe, but it remains a statement. We need to take Bram Fischer Airport toward becoming a cargo airport, similar to what is done in Durban, to generate economic activity.

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Based on these issues, it is difficult for us to support this document because it has not been properly processed. I believe that if the document is taken back to the relevant committee, we will be able to deliberate on it and finalise it. Thank you for the opportunity”

Cllr TO Machachamise addressed the Council: “Thank you, Speaker. Colleagues, the condition of cooperative governance presents a new era in government operations where we must decisively move away from silo mentality in government and planning. It is worth stating that the District Development Model does not replace the Integrated Development Plan.

The IDP remains the five-year plan for the municipality. The DDM One Plan is the long-term plan. The important concept here is the One Plan, defined as a joint intergovernmental framework that aligns all developmental efforts across government within a specific district or metropolitan area.

Challenges in government planning persist across South Africa, and Mangaung is no exception. We continue to battle high levels of poverty, inequality, and unemployment. Historically, government departments have operated in isolation. This has led to duplication, wasted resources, and uncoordinated interventions that failed to create meaningful change for communities. A new approach is needed.

The aim of the DDM is to establish a coordinated government response through a joint plan and implementation at the district level, bringing all stakeholders together to share development goals.

The objectives of the DDM are to:

Break down silos by creating a platform for planning, budgeting, and implementation across government.

Promote inclusive and gender-responsive budgeting and planning to ensure equitable development that addresses imbalances of the past.

Strengthen coordination and cooperation between all stakeholders to ensure responsive governance.

Constitutional and policy foundation of the DDM

We are not pursuing the DDM because it is fashionable. We are doing it because we are mandated to do so by the Constitution of South Africa, particularly Chapter 3, which emphasises cooperative governance. The Constitution establishes three distinct but interdependent and integrated spheres of government: national, provincial, and local. The DDM operationalises this framework by strengthening intergovernmental relations.

The White Paper on Local Government focuses on developmental local government that works in sustainable ways to meet community needs and improve quality of life. The Intergovernmental Relations Framework Act of 2005 further entrenches the legislative foundation for coordination between spheres of government. The DDM strengthens this intergovernmental coordination, role clarification, and accountability.

In conclusion the document before you, it is the third-generation Mangaung One Plan. Over a period of four months, ongoing and meaningful engagement took place with national, provincial, and local government. I can confidently assert that there was objective engagement at all levels. Consultations were conducted as required, and there were follow-ups with different departments and stakeholders. For these reasons, I support the motion tabled by the Executive Mayor. Thank you.”

Cllr DL Malebo addressed the Council: “Honourable Speaker EFF presents this contribution on the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipalities District Development Model 1 Plan Covering Report guided by our mandate to defend the poor, expose governance failure and demand a developmental state that delivers services with dignity.

The DDM1 plan is intended to be a unified long term development strategy and aligns all spheres of government eliminates duplication and improves service delivery. However, in the case of Mangaung the report exposes a municipality in distress characterized by weak governance, poor coordination, financial instability, and persistent service delivery failures.

The report correctly identifies severe infrastructure backlog, service delivery collapse, financial challenges, and institutional instability. While the EFF agrees with this assessment, a major contradiction remains.

Despite years of administration and intervention, MANGAUNG still lacks a coherent and implementable development plan.

Although the stated purpose of the DDM1 plan is to integrate planning, align budget, improve implementation, and strengthen intergovernmental relations, the report itself reveals that departments continue to operate in silos, planning remains fragmented, and budgets are not aligned with service delivery priorities.

The plan therefore reflects strong intentions but very weak execution. The development profile outlines high unemployment, growing informal settlements, widespread poverty, and severe youth unemployment. However, the plan fails to present a credible funded strategy to address these challenges. Instead, it largely repeats known statistics without proposing structural intervention to transform local economic conditions. On spatial development and land use, the report acknowledges fragmented spatial planning, urban sprawls, and inefficient land use. Yet it avoids confronting the core issue of land inequality. Municipal land audits are outdated; township development remains neglected and strategically located land continues to benefit private interests.

The EFF maintains that special injustice cannot be resolved without transparent land release programs and equitable land allocation.

The service delivery section effectively confirms systemic failures across key infrastructure areas, including water, cycling, sanitation, roads, electricity, waste management, and housing. Collapsing infrastructure, sewer spillages, unreliable services, and persistent housing backlogs demonstrate that the municipality cannot maintain existing assets, let alone expand services.

The EFF demands urgent prioritization on infrastructure repairs, including water reticulation, sewer upgrades, roads resurfacing, electrification of informal settlements, and the replacement of VIP toilets with dignified sanitation. Service delivery must be treated as a constitutional right, not a political favour. While the plan identifies economic opportunities in agriculture, tourism, manufacturing, and SMMEs, it fails to provide implementation plans, budget alignments, timelines, or accountability mechanisms.

As a result, economic development remains theoretical while township businesses collapse and unemployment deepens. In conclusion, Honourable Speaker, the DDM1 plan was meant to unite planning and improve development outcomes. Instead, it reveals a municipal struggling with institutional disorder, financial chaos, decaying infrastructure, and leadership failure. Therefore, the EFF rejects development plan that exists only on paper while communities live without dignity. We call for competent leadership, clean governance, proper budgeting, urgent, service delivery interventions, and a development agenda rooted in the needs of the poor.”

Cllr GDP Kotze addressed the Council: “Speaker, today we are asked to endorse the third generation Mangaung Metropolitan District Development Model One Plan Let me be clear now.

No councillor here is against planning what we are against IS plans on paper while services fail in our communities. This report admits that the previous plan was outdated, incomplete and not properly consulted. That is not the opposition speaking, it is what the report itself says. Councillors Mangaung is not failing because we don't have plans. Mangaung is failing because there is poor implementation, no accountability and no consequences and our residents experience this every day.

Electricity outages, dirty water, billing problems, roads, stormwater systems and public buildings falling apart. Yet every year, Council is asked to approve another strategic plan. This report also confirms that national and provincial governments had to step in through COGTA, Stats SA and the Office of the Premier to fix Mangaung own planning problems.

After years under section 139 intervention, we must ask honestly, why can the metro still not get basic planning right on its own? This coming Friday the 19th, Mango would be under administration section 139 for six years. Speaker, it would be irresponsible to endorse this plan without demanding results before we approve anything.

Residents deserve clear answers. What will improve on the ground in the next six to 12 months? Which projects are fully funded, and which are only ideas? Who will be held accountable when targets are not met and is still waiting for the Disciplinary Board's report. A plan without timelines is just a wish list.

A plan without money is unrealistic and a plan without accountability means nothing. Any plan that does not clearly support financial recovery, better revenue collection and an end to wasteful and irregular expenditure will only make things worse.

Council should not be reduced to simply noting and endorsing documents to meet deadlines set by other spheres of government. If this plan is to be endorsed, it must come with conditions.

Regular, preferable quarterly reports to council, Clear service delivery targets for each department.

Real consequences for officials who fail to deliver. Our residents do not live in plans. They live in communities. They judge us by simple things. Are the lights on? Is the water clean? Is refuse removed? Are streets safe and maintained? Until planning leads to delivery, this council will continue to lose the trust of the people we serve. We cannot simply approve another plan while Mangaung remains in crisis.

To conclude, speaker, the Democratic alliance recently completed an extended Federal Council meeting where key policy positions for the upcoming local government elections were adopted. One of those decisions is clear. The DA opposes the district development model. We believe the district development model undermines local government and creates an extra layer of central control that a constitution does not intend. For the DA, strong local government means accountability, delivery and decisions taken close to the people, not more bureaucracy. Therefore, we will vote against this item.”

Cllr PJ Rampai addressed the Council: “The first comment we want to do on DDM1 plan Speaker is a way for all sections of government to work together. In a sense, this plan is an attempt to help our community to stand up from the ashes and decay in this which has fallen. DDM one plan.

The fact that there are few things that ACDP in Mangaung has ceased about the plan. Firstly, the national, provincial and local government will join forces with this help. This help everyone to plan better and to use funds and resources wisely. The DDM1 plan can potentially help to bring jobs, city growth and basic service delivery to the people of Mangaung more quickly. If executed correctly, it can also work with businesses and community groups to create a new opportunity for everyone. We must make sure everyone is included so that no group is left behind.

We must make sure everyone is included so that no group is left behind. While process must be monitored. If government on all level listen to their people and are open and transparent about what they do, this can be work. But speaker, there some.

There are some challenges on DDM 1 plan. It can be slowly and tricky to get everyone to agree and work together. Without a common frame. This can cause an important action to be delayed. Secondly, we in Mangaung need to appoint and deploy skills, people and good leaders if we need this plan to work. Due to cadre deployment and other strategy, there are not enough trained workers or good decision makers. And we see that this can have a negative impact to the success of this plan. In Mangaung, there are not enough clear laws and regulations for DDM1 plan.

As it stands now, this makes it hard to make sure everyone does their job the right way to compact, to destroy corruption and ensure accountability. Speaker, in conclusion, the ACDP Mangaung said the DDM 1 plan is a brief step with the potential to make Mangaung better, fair and more open for everyone. But for this to succeed, we must work together.

We will learn new skills and listen to everyone. If we do this, we can build a better future for all. As we have mentioned the challenges of the DDM One Plan. The ACDP will never support this plan. Thank you, Speaker.”

Council Whip commented as follows: “I noted that I wished to comment on the remarks that had been raised. I aligned myself with what Cllr TO Machachamise had said. I recorded that all councillors who has spoken have indicated that they were not against the DDM 1 model itself, but that this was the third generation of the model and that it remains a work in progress.

I stated that as the plan evolves, more versions will return to Council. I further recorded that councillors have noted that the best intergovernmental relations are achieved when institutions have a plan. I emphasised that one cannot have an institution that does not have a plan, but equally, one cannot execute a plan without an implementation strategy. I noted that these concerns had been properly recorded.”

Executive Mayor responded as follows: mentioned that he seconds the sentiments of the Whip. I further note that the general concerns raised by councillors were acknowledged. However, I am encouraged by the level of understanding shown and the understanding of the transformation agenda. With this understanding of policies, I conclude that South Africa would indeed be a better place

Point of order raised by Cllr JM De Bruin that while the Executive Mayor was on the floor, the Patriotic Alliance did not comment on the item because they are present to build a better nation for all. He said that his party had repeatedly requested a meeting with the Executive Mayor and the City Manager to address service delivery across Mangaung. He emphasised that such a meeting should include community and ward members, as they are on the ground daily and would meaningfully assist with planning.

Cllr CL Kruger on a point of order remarked that she did not know how to begin respectfully because the item on the table was being taken for granted and personal objectives were being advanced. She warned that the community must not be misled and stated that some individuals were attempting to destroy something positive with a narrow political agenda.

Point of order raised by Cllr JM De Bruin and expressed dissatisfaction, Cllr CL Kruger’s remarks. He stated that PR Councillors act on the complaints of communities and that MMC, Cllr CL Kruger should fulfil her responsibilities in her own Ward.

Point of order raised by Cllr SP Tsoleli objected to the language used by Cllr JM De Bruin and requested that it be withdrawn, stating that all Councillors are required to remain respectful at all times.

Cllr MW Mongale on point of order stated that the Executive Mayor should have addressed the SWOT analysis contained in the report. He noted that the report claimed that, in relation to the Fourth Industrial Revolution, nothing could be done in Wepener and Dewetsdorp, and he expressed strong disagreement with this position.

He further stated that if the document had been properly processed through the relevant committees, he would have been able to make a more meaningful contribution.

Executive Mayor responded by re-emphasising that the DDM One Plan is a “take-home” document, meaning that it is an ongoing and evolving process.

He further stated that the Patriotic Alliance wanting him to position himself as a voice for community structures is positive. However, he emphasised that Councillors are mandated to be the voices of their communities and that it is important to follow proper procedures. He stressed that Ward Councillors must be respected and engaged, even where political differences exist, because Councillors are required to work together.

He cautioned against acting outside of established processes and referred to Heidedal as a Ward with serious security challenges, noting that having an MMC available to that Ward is an asset.

The Council voted as follows: 48 voted in favour, 30 against and 2 abstained

It was thereupon

RESOLVED

it is accordingly submitted that the MMM DDM One Plan has been updated as per the guidelines stipulated and as per the guidelines received from National Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA), Free State Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) and Free State Office of the Premier.

That:

1. Council endorsed the MMM 3rd Generation DDM One Plan submitted.
2. The MMM 3rd Generation DDM One Plan should be submitted to Free State COGTA and Free State Office of the Premier.

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REPORTS FROM THE SPEAKER

1.

RECESS FOR COUNCILLORS FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON: DECEMBER 2025/JANUARY 2026

Cllr TWK Mokgothu requested that the dates on the recommendation be amended as follows, be from the 15th December 2025 to 15th January 2026.

The Speaker commented as follows: “Thank you Chair, Rules of Committee, councillors that is the corrections, recess will be from the 15th December 2025 which is today until 15 January 2026. I may just have to indicate while the council is on recess, the chairperson of the Remunerations committee, together with the relevant MMC: Corporate Services, may call a special Council meeting to take into consideration the upper limits that has just been signed by the Minister.

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The determination of the upper limits will be a virtual meeting. Even though we are on recess we will have to call a special council meeting however to take into consideration Councillors, it will be virtual.”

The Council did not vote on the item.

It was thereupon

RESOLVED that the Council granted recess to all Councillors commencing from 15th December 2025 up to 15 January 2026.

179	REPORTS FROM MPAC
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1.

MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE REPORT TO COUNCIL ON UNAUTHORISED, IRREGULAR, FRUITLESS AND WASTEFUL EXPENDITURE INVESTIGATION

The Chairperson of MPAC, Cllr IJ Makoloane presented the report to Council as follow:

“E re ke lebohe motsamaisa wa dipuisano ke dumedise le Majoro, Motlatsa Majoro, Rasephadi (can't hear the surname properly) le ba lekgotla kaofela ba teng kwano le baahi ba Afrika Borwa ka kakaretso.

Ka nnete motsamaisa wa dipuisano haketlo nka nako e telele ka nnete ha nka bua nako e telele ke tlabe ke tuba hobane ditaba tse hlanyang mona ka nnete ke ditaba tse eleng hore di ya utlwahala. E re ke hle ke kene dintlheng fela ka bo kgutshwane feela motsamaisa wa mosebetsi.

Maikemisetso a raporoto ena ya MPAC eo eleng hore re e tlisa kwano ka hare ho lekgotla la motse ke hotlo hlalosa re hlaloesetsa setjhaba kapa re hlaloesetsa ba lekgotla ba council kwano hore nakong e fetileng re ile ra nna ra dumellana re le ba lekgotla wa Mangaung hore ho thehwe komiti ena e re ipitsang ka lentswe la boditjhaba la technical committee.

Mme hao sheba technical committee e na e qadile mosebetsi wa teng ka di 12 tsa August mme ha jwale hao sheba tokomane kapa o sheba raporoto tse eleng hore ba se ba di tlisitse ka hare ho MPAC moo eleng hore ba repota teng e kaba di raporoto tse tharo.

Mme hao sheba tokomane ena, ka hare ho tokomane kwano re ile ra ba le tshebetso e matla haholo rele komiti ya MPAC mme hao sheba ka hara tokomane ena ka di 19 tsa November. Re ile ra ba le di interviews moo re ne re bitsitse hlooho tsa mafapha a fapaneng moo eleng hore nere batla tlhakisetsa jwalo ka komiti ya MPAC moo eleng hore hare utlwisisi teng re ne re ba botsa dipotso. Mme mosotho o re kapa basotho ba re ntho haele ntle e ya kgotswa ha ele mpe e tshwelwa ka mathe. Ka nnete ba ile ba ipitlahetsa hare ba bitsitse ba ile batla ka matla ka namane ba ne ba tletse ho phothoma ho bontsha hore ka nnete ba ikemiseditse hore ba ka sebetsa mmoho le komiti e na ya MPAC.

Jwale hao e sheba motsamaisa wa dipuisano engwe ya diphephetso tseo re nang le tsona hobane bophelo bo senang diphephetso hase bophelo, bophelo bo tletse diphephetso ke diphephetso tsa di late admission tsa di documents mare re dumellane le bona hore ka nnete batla netefatsa hore ba sebetse mmoho le NPEC le technical committee.

Mme ke table kwano raporoto e na ka hare ho council hore council e note hore ka nnete ntse re sebetsana le dinyewe tse 16.

Ntumelle feela motsamaisa wa mosebetsi jwalo ka ontso ba dumella pele ke dula fatshe kwano hore ke nke monyetla ona ho lakalletsa dihwatiti tsohle tsa Afrika Borwa keresemese e monate. Mme kere ho bona jwalo ka Ntate wa Lehlohonolo kere dihwatiti tsa Afrika Borwa ka nnete ha re ya keresemeseng tjena le tlohele tjontjobina re tsohelle mantatane jwalo ka nna tjena re tlohelle ditaba hoba jwale nna mmele ona waka hao utlwane le tjontjobina ke tempele ya Jehova.

Mme le be le keresemese e monate. Tankie ha nngwe, tankie ha bedi, tankie hararo.

Ke Ntate wa Lehlohonolo ya reng haebe kgotso."

CIlr JM De Bruin thereafter stated that it was agreed at the MPAC meeting that the report would not be deliberated on as it was for noting.

It was thereupon

RESOLVED

Based on the investigation processes, findings and observations above, the Committee hereby submits the following recommendations to Council for consideration:

1. That the Council noted the letter received from Vaal Central Water writing off interest amounting to R 287,446,112.00 (see attached Annexure A).
2. Furthermore, the Council noted that the Committee is in the process of finalizing the investigation on the process followed to write-off R192 295 517.39 in the 2024/2025 draft financial year and the R 95 150 594.61 which was not yet written off in the 2024/2025 draft financial year.
3. That Council took note that the Committee is still awaiting information relating to unauthorized expenditures to commence its investigation.
4. That the Accounting Officer to instruct the officials to cooperate with the Committee and apply consequence management to those who are not cooperating with the investigation processes as and when reported.
5. That the Accounting Officer must report on quarterly basis to the Committee any identified and reported UIF&W expenditures for 2025/2026 financial year.

6. That the Accounting Officer ensures that the registers for UIF&W expenditures for 2025/2026 financial year are in compliance with the National Treasury MFMA Circular 8 Annexure A template.

180	REPORTS FROM AUDIT AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE
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None.

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181	REPORTS ON WARD COMMITTEES/CONSOLIDATED REPORT ON WARD COMMITTEE
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None.

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182	REPORT ON SALGA ACTIVITIES
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None.

NOTED.

183	IN COMMITTEE REPORTS
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1.

EXTENSION OF TERM OF CONTRACT OF INTERIM BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CENTLEC

The Speaker requested all HODs, officials, media and the public in the gallery to be excused from the meeting and that the live streaming be switched off as the items would be dealt with "In Committee".

As these items are dealt with In Committee, the discussions are minuted separately.

It was thereupon with **59 votes in favour, 0 against and 29 abstained**

RESOLVED

- (a) That Council approve the replacement and augmentation of the Interim Board of Directors of Centlec with the following
 - ✓ Ms Tsholofelo Linda Mabetha and Mr Bonolo Katlego Ignatius Thebe
- (b) That Council approve the appointment of the persons mentioned in paragraph (a – e) to form the selection panel to carry out the recruitment and shortlisting of Centlec Board of Directors.
- (c) That a shortlisting of 14 names be brought back to Council for appointment of the Centlec Board of Directors.
- (d) That the Council extend the term of an Interim Board for a period of not exceeding three (3) months.

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None.

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185	CLOSING OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
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In closing, the Speaker requested Cllr PJ Rampai to pray for the food as well as for safe and enjoyable festive season for Councillors, Officials and the Community of Mangaung.

The meeting officially closed at 14h20.

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