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A 74 MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (MPAC) OVERSIGHT REPORT ON THE 2021/2022 DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT.

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RESOLVED

- Having fully considered the 2021/2022 Draft Annual Report, the Municipal Public Accounts Committee recommends that Council adopt the Draft Annual Report 2021/2022 with reservations as follows:
 - a) That the Accounting Officer investigate the appointment of the contract No: SCMU 01/2021, for the inconsistencies in the compliance requirements, assessment of capability, capacity of the bidder, and the outcome of the investigation by the board and the outcome be reported in Council within 90 days of Council meeting.
 - b) That the Accounting Officer investigates the bids that were not advertised for minimum number of days in contravention with SCM regulation 22 (*Public invitation for competitive bids*), and the outcome of the investigation be reported to Council in the next normal Council meeting.

- c) That the Accounting Officer investigate the procurement of the San Hard Drive on an emergency basis, in contravention with the supply chain regulations and the findings be reported in the next normal Council sitting.
- d) That the Accounting Officer must ensure that the Audit Action Plan is fully implemented.
- e) That the Accounting Officer ensures that much attention is given to the implementation of the Council resolutions.
- f) That consequence management be applied to those that failed to flag the approved indigents which resulted in beneficiaries being deprived from receiving the deserving services.
- g) That the Accounting Officer ensure that the budget aligns with the KPIs in the strategic planning as mentioned on page 45 of 2021/2022 Draft Annual Report.
- h) That the Accounting Officer ensure that the four quarter aligned reports are submitted within the stipulated timeframes as mentioned on page 45 of 2021/2022 Draft Annual Report.
- That the Accounting Officer must ensure that the overpayment of Eskom for R3 130 315, 00 relating to the September 2022 invoice is followed up and finalized and the money is refunded to the municipality, furthermore, progress be reported in the next normal Council meeting.
- j) That the Accounting Officer must ensure that the fruitless expenditure of R13 800,00 incurred in advertising cost be recovered from the responsible official.
- k) That the Accounting Officer ensures that legislation and policies are strictly adhered to, especially SCM policies and regulations.

- That monitoring and evaluation be strengthened for quality assurance on all implemented projects.
- m) That all councilors who did not declare their interest in contravention with the Municipal Systems Act, 2000 Schedule 1 Code of conduct for councilors (Declaration of interest) Section 7.1(f) be referred to the Ethics Committee, and the outcome be reported back to Council in the next normal Council meeting.
- n) That the Accounting Officer implement consequence management to all the officials who failed to declare their interest, and a report be tabled in the next Council sitting of the consequence management taken.
- o) That the Municipality consider using the available staff component to deal with debt collection to do away with external service providers that are rendering services that can be rendered internally.
- p) That all deviations done without following proper Supply chain regulations be investigated by the accounting officer, and the outcome be reported in the normal Council meeting.
- q) That the Accounting Officer must ensure that the municipality do away with the emergency procurement of services (especially of venues/ accommodation) in contravention with the Supply Chain Management.
- r) That the Supply Chain Management regulation be complied with in its totality and those found to have infringed the regulation, consequence management be implemented.

Signed by the Speaker
Councillor MS Tiba