

Fight crime together



Obed Mlaba
eThekweni Mayor

For that reason, we have rejected the suggestion by Eskom to increase the price of electricity.

Crime is still threatening the stability in our society. Lately, there has been an increase in the number of cash-in-transit heists. These are counter-productive because they affect the economy of the country and also scare potential investors away. We, as South Africans, all have a very important role to play in growing the economy of this country. It is everybody's responsibility to fight crime. The least that we can do is to report all crimes and criminal activities that take place in our communities.

Communities need to form strong partnerships with police services. If we do not deal with crime as a society, we shall lose all the gains that we have achieved.

WE ARE going through tough times at the moment. Everything seems to be going up in price and these price hikes will hit the poorest of the poor very hard. Eskom has also made its intentions known of increasing the price of electricity by a whopping 53%. That does not augur well, particularly in the light of the resolutions that we took in Polokwane. The ANC has committed itself to helping the poor through poverty alleviation programmes. That is why we focussed more on helping the poor in this year's budget. The municipality has made a number of concessions for the aged, invalids, child-headed families and many other categories of people within our communities.

Transforming our city and our society

BUILDING a non-racial, non-sexist society remains a critical task for all of us, whether it is in our work, social or even cultural environment. Learning from and with each other will allow us to become an even greater city and country as we put aside prejudice and work together.

For me, transformation is about making our society more representative, particularly along race and gender lines. It is about making our institutional environments more conducive, so that women feel comfortable in positions of leadership, so that disabled people gain access and that each of our own ethnic backgrounds is appreciated.



Michael Sutcliffe
eThekweni Manager

And it is about us all changing our attitudes, putting ourselves in the place of people of a different colour, gender or ethnicity. Our municipality has become more representative over the years. When I arrived in council in 2002, the racial breakdown of different occupational levels was stark as can be seen in the table below.

Using the racial classifications, top management consisted of 16% Africans and 61% white. I am happy to say this has changed so that today top management consists of 43% Africans and 29% white. Skilled and technical levels of staff have also transformed, with Africans now occupying 54% of such positions from 30% five years ago. The unskilled levels remain dominantly black with people of African and Indian origin occupying such positions.

We have made some progress in changing the gender composition of our municipality, but not as fast as I would have liked. Today, some 21% of top

management are women, almost double that of five years ago. But skills, experience and educational qualifications remain our biggest challenges in transformation. These are real challenges and we have a long way to go to ensure that the complex times in which we now live can be managed effectively, efficiently and economically.

We must also spend time working on ways to create a more conducive, caring environment. Knowing each other, helping each other and honestly talking to each other will go a long way towards making us a world leader in creating a successful non-racial and non-sexist city.

COMPARITIVE PROFILE: JUNE 2002 - JUNE 2006															
Occupational Levels	Africans			Indians			Coloureds			Whites			Female		
	2002	2006	2008	2002	2006	2008	2002	2006	2008	2002	2006	2008	2002	2006	2008
Top Management	16%	38%	43%	20%	25%	27%	2%	5%	3%	61%	32%	29%	11%	22%	21%
Senior Management	14%	21%	42%	33%	35%	37%	1%	2%	3%	52%	42%	36%	17%	17%	21%
Professionally qualified and experienced specialists and Mid Management	15%	22%	43%	29%	33%	35%	2%	3%	3%	54%	42%	34%	20%	24%	27%
Skilled Technical & Academically qualified workers, junior management, supervisors, foremen and superintendents	30%	40%	54%	36%	34%	33%	5%	6%	3%	30%	20%	17%	22%	24%	26%
Semi Skilled and discretionary decision making	57%	61%	63%	33%	32%	29%	3%	2%	3%	7%	4%	3%	21%	23%	25%
Unskilled and defined decision making	79%	78%	71%	21%	22%	19%	0%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%	9%	13%	14%

Street renaming update: 85 names to change

THE REPORT on street renaming was on the agenda when the Masakhane, Grants-In-Aid, Non-Racism and Non-Sexism Committee held their monthly meeting on Wednesday 14 May.

The committee went through and deliberated on each and every street and proposed name in the list of two hundred and seventy seven names. If all goes according to the recommend-

ations, streets like Albert and Lorne streets will be known as Ingcuze and Ismail C. Meer respectively, to name but a few. The committee decided not to change some names for now, and

to recommend to the Executive Committee to change eighty five street names within the municipal area. We will keep our readers updated on this one as the process unfolds.

STATUTORY NOTICE 2557

ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PURPOSES: ERF 3644 PINETOWN

It is hereby declared in terms of section 240 (1A) of Ordinance 25 of 1974 that it is the intention of the Municipality to acquire from Angus Bernhardt Pohl (Id. No. 2912205065083) and Johana Cathrina Pohl (Id. No. 4211180040080) the property described as Erf 3644 Pinetown, Registration Division FT, situate in the eThekweni Municipality Area, Province of Kwa-Zulu Natal, in extent 21.5954 hectares for the sum of R2 085 000 (Two Million and Eighty Five Thousand Rand).

The Sale Agreement will be available for inspection at the offices of the Head: Real Estate (Ref.:636C/317/3), 15th Floor, 75 Winder, Durban, from 08:30 to 12:30 and 13:30 to 15:30, Monday to Friday, for a period of 14 days, commencing on 2008-05-09. Interested persons may lodge at the address below any objection to, or representations regarding, to proposed transaction on or before 17:00 on 2008-05-26.

Dr M.O. Sutcliffe
City Manager, City Hall
West Street, Durban

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 6 OF THE MUNICIPAL TAXATION BYLAWS: SURCHARGES

Notice is hereby given that the eThekweni Municipality intends considering imposition of a surcharge of 3% on all fees charged by the Municipality for electricity supplied by or on behalf of the Municipality, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Taxation Bylaws: Surcharges of the Municipality. Members of the public may comment on or object to the

proposed surcharge in writing on or before 2008-06-03 at the Office of the City Manager, City Hall, West Street, Durban or PO Box 1014, Durban, 4000. Any person who cannot write may come during office hours to the said office where the City Manager or a person nominated by him will assist that person to transcribe that person's comments or objections.

M.O. Sutcliffe
City Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE

2008/2009 REVISION OF TARIFFS: VARIOUS MATTERS

Notice is hereby given that Resolutions of the kind contemplated in section 75A of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act 32 of 2000) were passed by the Municipal Council on 2008-04-30 regarding the various matters set out below:

A. TREASURY
1. Income – Rates Clearance Certificate
2. Real Estates - Valuation Roll

B. GOVERNANCE
1. City Hall Hire Charges

C. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CITY ENTERPRISES
Development Planning and Management

1. Zoning/Rezoning of land
2. Subdivision of land
3. Special Consent
4. Other land use application
5. Building application
6. Permits and encroachment
7. Plan viewing and copies
8. Signage and advertising
9. Business Support – Itinerant traders & hive sites

Markets
10. Retails Markets
11. Fresh Produce Markets: Cold storage

D. HEALTH, SAFETY & SOCIAL SERVICES
Health Unit – Health Services Parks, Recreation and Culture
1. Beach and Foreshore
2. Municipal Bowling Greens
3. Community Halls
4. Cemeteries and Crematoria
5. Golf Courses
6. Gugu Dlamini Park
7. Mitchel Park Zoo
8. Natural Resources

9. Sale or hire of plant and material and deposit for the hire of public sites
10. Sea and seashore
11. Sportsfields
12. Swimming pools
13. Stadiums
14. Libraries
15. Metro Police Services – Police Tariffs
16. Emergency Services - Fire

E. PROCUREMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE
Engineering
1. Staff Refectory
2. Hardening and reinstatement of footways
3. Stormwater disposal
4. Channel Crossings
5. Bus Ranks, Parking Meters and Municipal Parking Ground Bylaws
6. Copy fees for Prints, Plans and Photographs
7. Cleansing and Solid Waste – Refuse collection and disposal
8. Sanitation – Sewage Disposal
9. Housing – Administration
10. Electricity
11. Water
12. Sundry Water
Copies of the said resolutions and the annexed tariffs of charges are available for inspection at the undermentioned locations.
Foyers of City Hall (West Street),
Electricity Headquarters (Jelf Taylor Crescent),
Water Headquarters (Prior Road) and
City Engineers (Old Fort Road)

Regional Centres throughout the Municipality

The effective date for the implementation of the said tariffs of charges is 2008-07-01.

Dr M.O. Sutcliffe
City Manager

CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

PARALEGAL TRAINING PROGRAMME

The Municipality invites suitably qualified and SETA accredited service providers to submit proposals to conduct appropriate paralegal training to a given number of young people residing in areas around the eThekweni Municipal Area. The scope of the work includes, inter alia, conducting an assessment of the learners' performance in relation to the qualification in order to ascertain and address the skills deficiencies amongst the identified individuals and developing and presenting unit standard based training programme as per SAQA requirements. The service provider should indicate clear approaches and methods aligned to the objectives, to be followed in preparing the deliverables of this project. This should be accompanied by a proposed work plan, including the following:

Consultation with the stakeholders
• Facilitation of training sessions
• Learning processes Assessment
• Process and Tools
Feedback sessions
A detailed briefing document is obtainable from Ms Lungile Shabangu at the Skills Development Unit, 11th Floor, Shell House, 221 Smith Street, Durban.
Enquiries: Lungile Shabangu: Project Officer, Skills Development Unit
Phone: (031) 311 3450
Fax: (031) 311 3292
E-mail: shabangu@durban.gov.za
Proposals in a sealed envelopes addressed to the "Project Officer, Ms Lungile Shabangu: Skills Development Unit" and clearly marked "Call for Proposals: PARALEGAL TRAINING PROGRAMME" must be submitted at 221 Smith Street, Shell House, 11th Floor, Durban, 4001 no later than 12:00pm on the 30th May 2008.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

DISPOSAL OF SLUDGE

In line with eThekweni Municipality's aim to dispose of sludge in a safe and regulated manner in accordance with the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry new Guidelines for the Utilisation and Disposal of Wastewater Sludge, the Municipality would like to invite submissions from companies that have the required experience, capacity and technology to offer solutions for both the sustainable disposal of sludge and the operation and maintenance of an existing sludge incinerator. All proposed submissions will have to demonstrate compliance with the requirements in the Expression of Interest Document which is available from Mr Bill Pfaff, tel +2731 3118783; e-mail

billpf@dmws.durban.gov.za or Mr John Harrison, tel +2731 3118665; e-mail johnha@dmws.durban.gov.za
Sealed responses, which shall be signed by or on behalf of the respondent, and addressed to: The Head: Supply Chain Management and marked "Expression of Interest: Disposal of Sludge for eThekweni Municipality" are to be delivered to the ground floor, Rennie House, 41 Margaret Mncadi Avenue (formerly Victoria Embankment), on or before 11:00, on Friday, 2008-06-13, and placed in the tender box. For technical queries please contact Mr Bill Pfaff, tel +2731 3118783; e-mail billpf@dmws.durban.gov.za or Mr John Harrison, tel +2731 3118665; e-mail johnha@dmws.durban.gov.za