

ITEM 30/2020

APPROVAL OF MERAUFONG CITY LOCAL MUNICIPALITY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP) 2020/2021:

VIRTUAL SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING: 30 JUNE 2020

1. PURPOSE:

The purpose of the item is to obtain Council approval of the Integrated Development Plan (IDP) – Third Review for 2020/2021 Financial Year.

2. BACKGROUND:

In terms of Chapter 5 Section 34 of MSA (Act 32 of 2000), a Municipal Council must review its Integrated Development Plan:

- a) Annually in accordance with an assessment of its Performance Measurement in terms of Section 41.
- b) To the extent that changing circumstances so demand.

An Integrated Development Plan adopted by the Municipal Council in terms of Section 35(1):

- a) Is the principal planning instrument, which guides and informs all decision making regarding all planning and development.
- b) Directs the municipality to exercise its Executive Authority.

3. DISCUSSION:

The IDP has to be reviewed annually in order to:

- Inform the municipal planning processes including budgeting and institutional review.
- To ensure proper integration and alignment within the organisation as well as with external stakeholders.
- Informs inter-governmental planning and budgeting.
- Reflect changes in the internal and external environment impacting on priority issues to inform strategies, objectives and indicators to enhance service delivery and performance of the municipality.
- Address MEC's comments.

PROCESS FOLLOWED TO DEVELOP THE IDP:

Council approved the Process Plan during August 2019 and the review process was undertaken in accordance with the approved process plan including the following:

- IDP Steering Committee meetings were held from October 2019 – March 2020.
- Ward Councillors and Ward Committee members were consulted on a ward basis during October and November 2019. Structured questionnaires on the core functions of the municipality were issued to obtain structured inputs from the wards during project planning phase.
- The Draft Reviewed IDP 2020/2021 was tabled to Council on the 26th of March 2020 and was published for comments, representations and submissions for a period of 21 days.
- Public Notice and the Draft IDP Document was placed on the Municipal website and all Libraries and Pay-points during the 21 days commenting period (01st of April 2020 to 05th of May 2020).

Due to Coronavirus/Covid-19 outbreak, the National Lockdown and by directive of the MEC: Human settlements, Urban Planning and Cogta normal community consultation /engagements process could not be followed and the use of electronic and other non-physical mechanisms and platforms were prescribed. In order to give interested organisations/stakeholders and local community an opportunity to submit written comments regarding the amendments in the IDP an extension was granted until 14th of May 2020. A further extension has been granted until 28th of May 2020.

Furthermore, the Minister issued Gazetted Directions, No 43291 on the 07th of May 2020 in a bid to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID 19, with a specific focus on Section 6.7 covering Municipal Operations and Governance, therefore, the adoption/approval of IDPs and operations related to municipal services and revenue collection has been extended on or before the 30th of June 2020.

- After Council approval the IDP 2020/2021 Document must be placed on the municipal website, municipal pay-points and libraries and also be submitted to the MEC for Local Government and other relevant stakeholders ten (10) days after approval.

CONTENTS OF THE IDP 2020/2021 DOCUMENT:

The following are the contents of the IDP 2020/2021 Document:

- SECTION A: Vision, Mission & Core-Values
- SECTION B: Municipal Overview & Demographics

- SECTION C: Powers & Functions of the Municipality
- SECTION D: Process followed to develop IDP
- SECTION E: Spatial Economy & Development Rationale
- SECTION F: Status Quo Assessment
- SECTION G: Strategic Goals, Objectives, KPI's & Targets and SDBIP
- SECTION H: Required Sector & Operational Plans
- SECTION I: Development Strategies, Programmes, Mini-Business Plans & Projects
- SECTION J: Alignment with National and Provincial Objectives.
- SECTION K: Projects and Programmes from other spheres of Government.

4. ORGANISATIONAL PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

5. COMMUNICATION IMPLICATIONS:

None.

6. CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

The reviewed IDP is submitted in accordance with the legislative requirements.

7. OTHER DEPARTMENTS/BODIES CONSULTED:

Stakeholders and Provincial Government Departments.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

RECOMMENDED:

- i) That the Reviewed IDP 2020/2021 be approved in terms of the provisions of Section 34 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000 read together with Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003.
- ii) That in terms of Section 20 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act, 2013 (Act No 16 of 2013) the Municipal Spatial Development Framework be approved as an Annexure to the IDP.

- iii) That it be noted that the Draft Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan is included in the IDP as Annexure G1 to be finally approved by the Executive Mayor in terms of the provisions of MFMA Circular 11.
- iv) That Council take cognisance that the IDP 2020/2021 Document was drafted in accordance with the Council approved Process Plan and directives issued in terms of the Disaster Management Regulations.
- v) That the approved IDP 2020/2021 be placed on the municipal website, municipal pay-points and libraries and also be submitted to the MEC for Local Government and other relevant stakeholders ten (10) days after approval.