

TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE

1. ITEM NUMBER: TRNS 04/06/20

2. SUBJECT

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 5 MARCH
2020**

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The minutes are attached for confirmation by the Transport Portfolio Committee.

MINUTES**OF THE TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 6TH FLOOR, PODIUM BLOCK, CIVIC CENTRE CAPE TOWN ON THURSDAY, 5 MARCH 2020 AT 11:00**

PRESENT:**COMMITTEE MEMBERS****DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE (DA)**

Cllr A McKenzie (Chairperson)
Cllr S Liell-Cock (Deputy Chairperson)
Cllr C Kobeni
Ald. T Thompson
Cllr S Batala
Cllr K Carls
Cllr N Xamle
Cllr N Jowell
Cllr B van der Merwe

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (ANC)

Cllr D Badela
Cllr P Heynes
Cllr W Dlulane (arrived at 11:25)

ECONOMIC FREEDOM FIGHTERS (EFF)

Cllr Dwane (arrived at 11:15)

OTHER COUNCILLORS

Cllr R Simons
Cllr L Gungxe

LEGAL

G Caswell

INTERPRETER

S Gxilishe

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY

Cllr A Lightburn
Cllr Z Qoba

OFFICIALS:

E Sass	Executive Director: Transport
A Bassier	Director: Regulations and Acting Public Transport Operations
H du Plessis	Director: Roads Infrastructure and Management
M Mazaza	Director: Transport Planning
R Melody	Acting Director Business Enablement
N Pieterse	Manager: Finance
G Fortune	Portfolio Manager: Integrated Transport
N Arendse	Manager: Transport Regulations
J Martheze	Manager: Network Integration
L Stolworthy	Manager: Transport Forward Planning, Transport Planning
J Meyer	Principal Professional Officer, Transport Planning
T Kok	Senior Professional Officer, Transport Planning
L van den Berg	Manager: Transport, Regulations Management, Integrated Transport Portfolio
D Meyer	Office of the Acting ED Transport

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SERVICES

J Cooper	Executive Committee Services
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TRNS 01/03/20 OPENING AND PRAYER / MOMENT OF SILENCE

The meeting started at 11:00. The Chairperson welcomed all those present to the meeting and requested a moment of silence.

TRNS 02/03/20 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED that it be noted that the following apologies were received from the Office of the Chief Whip:

- Cllr A Lightburn
- Cllr Z Qoba

ACTION: J COOPER

TRNS 03/03/20 CHAIRPERSONS REPORT OR ADDRESS

A direct translation of the Chairperson's report follows hereunder:

Good morning and welcome to everyone in attendance.

Some of the critical issues that remain a problem for the Transport Portfolio is most certainly still congestion on our roads. It is unacceptable that we are spending so much time on our roads. One of our main reasons for congestion on our roads, is not necessarily the lack of roads but more the lack of a proper functioning transport system, which allows us space on our roads.

One of the big challenges with this issue is PRASA and Metrol Rail because of the overwhelming amount of people who make use of public transport, especially the rail network, therefore the rail network has seen an escalation in vandalism and bad management which had a bad effect on the commuters. The Transport Portfolio Committee welcomes the appointment of Raymond Maseko, as the new Acting Regional Manager of PRASA. We are in the process of arranging for him to attend the Transport Portfolio Committee meeting to present his turn around strategy plan. Raymond has fifteen years experience in rail engineering which is something that PRASA and Metro Rail critically needs at this moment.

There is a turn around strategy for PRASA and Metro Rail to the value of R1.4 billion which includes the complete closure of the central line due to the high levels of vandalism on the railway lines. I would like to thank the City officials and the Acting Executive Director, because there are seemingly a good working relationship / partnership between PRASA and the City, which is now starting to take it's course regarding how the R1.4 billion will be rolled out and how the City will support the roll out plan of PRASA. This morning there was an announcement event by the National Minister of Transport at the Langa train station around these plans.

It is very encouraging to know that an external mediator consultant has been appointed to liaise between the City, the Provincial Government and the three joint venture partners of the N2 MyCiTi Express Way service, therefore it is premature to comment on it. The Portfolio Committee will receive consistent feedback on the progress of the meeting and this is the step in the right direction in bringing the joint venture together.

Road Rehabilitation and potholes remain a major problem within our City and there are a few reports on the Agenda which will allow us to dig a little bit deeper into how we are able to turn around the pothole situation quicker, how we are able to get roads rehabilitated and equally so, road markings. The road marking report has been on this Portfolio for far too long and the matter will be discussed today in order to get real actions / answers with regards to the challenges faced.

There are far too many open pothole C3 notifications which has a huge ripple effect on service delivery for the City, which puts the Cllrs and officials in a difficult situation in terms of answering to the communities.

There is a plan in place for the winter readiness program and the Director responsible for that will present their plan to us. What is equally important is that there will be an oversight on the winter readiness program before the start of the winter.

These are all critical issues which must be done and will be overseen by the Portfolio Committee and we have to ensure that this Portfolio Committee is performing its role as an oversight body in terms of the projects which is implemented, the reports submitted and the budget spent.

We are here to perform a very important task as a Portfolio Committee and once again I welcome you all, we have very busy year ahead of us.

Thank you

Cllr A McKenzie
Chairperson: Transport Portfolio Committee

TRNS 04/03/20 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 FEBRUARY 2020

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2019, was confirmed by Cllr van der Merwe and seconded by Cllr Carls, subject to the following amendments, that:

- the word paint be corrected under item TRNS 15/02/20;
- that the following be added under item TRNS 03/02/20:

“Cllr Badela stated that services of the N2 express has been paused for a long time and requested that the N2 contract be compiled correctly from the start, in order to reach an amicable solution. He further stated that he does not think that CODETA will operate as long as Golden Arrow is involved, as Golden Arrow is benefitting.

Ald. Purchase responded the following, that:

“the N2 express contract was investigated through an audit process and in the process it is quite clear that the JV was set up in terms of the legislation which was applicable at the time. Whether or not that legislation is applicable today is a different story, but we have to go through a complete process for the next phase of the contract, but in the meantime, we need to come up with a solution. Therefore, we are still bound by the IRT legislation that governs the Constitution of the JV’s, but National is looking at that too. CODETA has taken the JV to court and only the court will be able to rule on the process, but we cannot change the process which was the applicable law at the time.”

- that the following be added under item TRNS 14/02/20:

Cllr Badela raised his concern regarding the train which was set alight, that the security should have been able to detect the danger. He further stated that there should be more cameras to see the perpetrators who are setting trains alight, especially the stationary trains at the stations.

ACTION: J COOPER

TRNS 05/03/20 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. SABS LINE MARKING INVESTIGATION FEEDBACK (TRNS 18/08/19)

Cllr Carls stated that although the matter was discussed under item TRNS 15/02/20, he suggests that the matter should remain on the Matters Receiving Attention as monthly or quarterly reports should be submitted to the Transport Portfolio Committee. He further stated that the frequency of the line painting of the roads should be monitored in order to determine the quality of the line marking.

Cllr Badela added that previous discussions stated that the Directorate should find a way of monitoring the quality of the line markings before the contractor is paid. He added that the item has been on the Agenda since 2014.

Cllr Heynes suggested that monthly reports be submitted and that the matter be monitored for the next six months.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the SABS line marking investigation feedback (TRNS 18/08/19) remain on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule;
- (b) comprehensive monthly Line Marking Investigation Feedback reports be submitted to the Transport Portfolio Committee.

ACTION: H DU PLESSIS

2. MOTION BY CLLR DAVE BRYANT REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR POLICY REVIEW RELATING TO E-HAILING AND ONLINE FOOD DELIVERY VEHICLES (TRNS 07/11/19)

Cllr Jowell requested that the matter remain on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule for monitoring purposes.

RESOLVED that the matter on the Motion by Cllr Dave Bryant regarding the request for Policy Review relating to E-hailing and online food delivery vehicles (TRNS 07/11/19) remain on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule.

ACTION: A BASSIER

3. MOTION BY CLLR BRENDAN VAN DER MERWE REGARDING SUIKERBOS DRIVE (TRNS 08/11/19)

Cllr van der Merwe requested that the matter remain on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule for monitoring purposes.

RESOLVED that the matter on the Motion by Cllr Brendan van der Merwe regarding Suikerbos Drive (TRNS 08/11/19) remain on the Matters Receiving Attention.

ACTION: M MAZAZA

4. REQUEST TO INVESTIGATE A DEDICATED NON-MOTORISED TRANSPORT ROUTE ALONG THE ATLANTIC SEA BOARD SUBMITTED BY CLLR NICOLA JOWELL (TRNS 08/02/20)

Cllr Jowell requested that the matter remain on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule for monitoring purposes.

RESOLVED that the matter on the Request to Investigate a dedicated Non-Motorised Transport Route along the Atlantic Sea Board submitted by Cllr Nicola Jowell remain on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule.

ACTION: M MAZAZA

5. KHAYELITSHA: TRANSPORT MASTER PLAN (TRNS 09/02/20)

Cllr Badela reminded the meeting that the Motion regarding the intersection and the signalling to relief the congestion at the Khayelitsha intersection was submitted to Council and was supported, but has not been effected as yet.

Cllr McKenzie responded that the investigation discovered that it was not just a signalling issue but that the congestion in the entire Khayelitsha should be investigated.

RESOLVED that the Khayelitsha: Transport Master Plan be noted.

ACTION: N SLINGERS

6. CATALYTIC LAND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME: PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE BELLVILLE PRIORITY CATALYTIC PROJECT (TRNS 12/02/20)

Ald. Thompson enquired as to what the difference between the Bellville Voortrekker Road upgrade and the Catalytic Land Development Programme for the Bellville priority Catalytic Project is. She requested that a comprehensive report be submitted which could incorporate both matters.

E Sass responded that while the Voortrekker Road Corridor Development Plan and the Catalytic Land Development Programme for the Bellville priority Catalytic Project (Bellville PTI Upgrade) are interrelated, the two matters should be handled separately, therefore two separate reports will be submitted.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the Catalytic Land Development Programme: Progress report for the Bellville priority Catalytic project to remain on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule;
- (b) a progress report on the Catalytic Land Development Programme: progress report for the Bellville priority Catalytic Project be submitted to the next meeting;
- (c) a progress report on the Bellville Voortrekker Road upgrade be submitted to the next meeting.

ACTION: M MAZAZA

7. WINTER READINESS PROGRAMME 2020 (TRNS 16/02/20)

Cllr van der Merwe enquired about the weed spraying report, which was requested under item TRNS 16/02/20 – Winter Readiness Programme 2020. He stressed the importance of the submission of such a report to the Transport Portfolio Committee in order for the Committee to have an oversight on the contentious issue.

H du Plessis responded that a report was circulated to all Subcouncils, which highlighted the areas where the weed spraying will be implemented. He further added that a report will be submitted to the Transport Portfolio Committee.

RESOLVED that a weed spraying report be submitted to the next Transport Portfolio Committee meeting.

ACTION: H DU PLESSIS

Further, it was suggested that a meeting be scheduled between the Chairperson, Cllr Liell-Cock and E Sass in order to manage the Matters Receiving Attention schedule.

Cllr Heynes requested that a report be submitted concerning the matters which will not be placed on the Matters Receiving Attention schedule, for monitoring purposes.

TRNS 06/03/20 MATTERS RECEIVING ATTENTION**1. WINTER READINESS PROGRAMME 2020 (TRNS 16/02/20)**

RESOLVED that the feedback regarding the implementation of the Winter Readiness Programme and progress on the hot spots which were identified by the Subcouncils, be included in the next Transport Portfolio Committee Agenda.

ACTION: H DU PLESSIS; D DARIES**TRNS 07/03/20 PRESENTATION ON THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT REGULATION RELATIONSHIPS AND AUTHORITIES**

L van den Berg conducted the presentation on the Public Transport Regulation Relationships and Authorities and highlighted the following:

Introduction - Planning Authority Obligation;
 Operating Licences - Regulatory Entities;
 Operating Licences - Application Types and Powers;
 Operating Licences - Authority Types;
 Operating Licences – Exemptions;
 Operating Licences – Demand Analysis of Services;

Operating Licences – Definitions;
 Operating Licences – Operating Licence Relationships;
 Operating Licence Administration – Application Process;
 Operating Licences – Way Forward;

Cllr Jowell enquired as to how the continuous minibus taxi complaints regarding parking is going to be controlled.

Cllr Heynes questioned whether allowing the minibus taxis to park at any taxi rank will cause conflict. She further enquired as to how the new development and influx of people in need of transport will be controlled and monitored.

L van den Berg responded the following, that:

- when the E-hailing negotiations started in 2014, they were of the opinion that the vehicles will be in continuous motion;
- the E-hailing companies has an expectation to have a vehicle with a passenger within four minutes, which is not necessarily sustainable for the underprivileged;
- whether there are 100 vehicles making R100 000 or 1000 vehicles, the E-hailing Company's takings still amounts to 25% of the income, which impacts on the profitability of the drivers who works 18-20 hours per day;
- the issue is that there is 1139 E-hailing licences been granted since 2004, and 6000 illegal operators in the City and the onus is now on the E-hailing platform provider, which will be fined R100 000 per vehicle for illegal operators;
- as per the Motion of Cllr D Bryan, dedicated parking spaces was not requested and the drivers are not allowed to stop, pick up or drop off passengers anywhere and not allowed to park at big open spaces

RESOLVED that the presentation on the Public Transport Regulation Relationships and Authorities be noted.

ACTION: L VAN DEN BERG

TRNS 08/03/20 TRANSPORT DIRECTORATE (FUEL RELATED): PROPOSED TARIFFS AND CHARGES FOR THE 2020/21 FINANCIAL YEAR

Cllr Jowell stated that there is an error on Table B1: Levels of Service for parking, under the Tariff Demand Level Correction, it should read 2.5% and not CPIX + 2.5%.

N Pieterse responded that the table is only applicable once the Parking Policy is approved and Regime 2 is implemented. He further stated that the intention of the table is that when the zonal classification of parking within areas is implemented, the parking on the outskirts has a lower rate of increase than the high demand areas in the core zones.

Cllr Liell-Cock added that he is objecting to the parking tariff for motorcycles.

Cllrs Dlulane and Badela accepted the report, as it was still objected to public participation, however they stated that the tariff prices are too steep.

The Chairperson added that there will be an opportunity at a later stage for public participation and comments and that Cllrs are welcome to submit their comments.

It is **RECOMMENDED** that the proposed Tariffs for the 2020/21 financial year, as outlined in Annexures A-F be advertised as legally required, for coming into effect by 1 July 2020, and that these proposed 2020/21 Tariffs be supported for submission to the Executive Mayor and approval by Council.

ACTION: N PIETERSE

TRNS 09/03/20 TRANSPORT: 2019/20 SECOND QUARTER'S PROGRESS REPORT ON THE DIRECTORATE AND DEPARTMENTS' PERFORMANCE

Cllr Carls enquired as to what the difference between reseal activities and resurface activities is.

H du Plessis responded the following, that:

- a seal is a surface treatment that waterproofs the existing surface;
- this is typically done through a chip and spray operation;
- a layer of hot bitumen is sprayed onto the road and this is closely followed by with stone chips being spread over the bitumen;
- the stone chips provide a driving surface while the bitumen waterproofs the road;
- seals are widely used throughout the country on all types of roads, from the N1 to local residential roads;
- it is a cheap effective way of protecting a road from water ingress;
- another type of seal is a slurry, which consists of a bitumen emulsion, crusher duct and cement and this is placed in a thin layer on the road to water proof the road;
- resurfacing would typically refer to as asphalt road surface;
- the existing asphalt surface is either overlaid with a new asphalt surfacing, or the existing asphalt surfacing is milled off and replaced with a new asphalt surfacing;
- the asphalt surfacing also acts as a waterproofing layer but unlike a seal, asphalt surfacing contributes slightly to the structural capacity of a road;
- both asphalt and seal are the road surface and are not considered in the design life of the road because they are expected to be maintained –either reseal or resurface at least once throughout the structural design life of a road;
- both resurfacing and resealing are therefore considered to be maintenance as they maintain the structural capacity of a road, rather than enhance or renew it;
- without this maintenance, a roads structural design capacity will be severely diminished.

Cllr Dlulane enquired / stated the following:

- what the remedial actions for the MyCiTi N2 express is as the people of Khayelitsha are greatly affected;
- that the scarcity of skills cannot be an issue in 2020, as there are more than three universities in Cape Town where suitable candidates could be sourced from;
- also that the adherence of more than 45.3% female employee representation is still an issue.

The Chairperson responded that an external consultant was appointed to investigate the MyCiTi N2 express issue and that a report on the matter will be submitted to the Transport Portfolio Committee. He further stated that the other questions will be answered in the upcoming Transport Directorate Vacancy Analysis report.

Cllr Badela requested clarity on the challenge of the total number of passenger journeys on the Dial-a-ride indicator.

E Sass responded the following, that:

- there was an existing three-year Dial-a-ride contract, which expired;
- the City advertised for the new contract to be implemented in order to continue with the service;
- there was a challenge with the process which caused deviation from the normal processes, in order to extend the contract until the court case was resolved;
- the wheelchair mechanism on the vehicles were designed to last for three years and that after extending the contract, problems on the wheelchair mechanisms were experienced;
- as a result, not all the vehicles could be in operation.

G Fortune added that there are 12 MyCiTi busses currently on the road and at the end of March, 20 MyCiTi busses will be placed back on the road.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Portfolio Committee monitor and evaluate the impact and performance of the 2019/20 Second Quarter's progress report in relation to its functional area. Thereafter the PC report must be submitted to the Executive Mayor together with the Mayoral Committee;
- It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Executive Mayor together with the Mayoral Committee evaluate and review the 2019/20 Second Quarter's progress report and submit the report to Council for noting;
- It is **RECOMMENDED** that Councils note the 2019/20 Second Quarter's progress report.

ACTION: J VAN WYK; R MELODY

R Melody reported that this report will be accepted, subject to a further workshop in April 2020, in order to work through the updated versions of the SDBIP.

RECOMMENDED that the Directorate Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) for 2020/2021 for the Transport Portfolio Committee Directorate, be approved.

ACTION: J VAN WYK

TRNS 11/03/20 TRANSPORT DIRECTORATE VACANCY ANALYSIS

Cllr Dlulani queried as to what is being done about the scarcity of skills as the targets are not being met.

E Sass responded the following, that:

- due to the nature of the work in the Transport Directorate, it is dominated by males, as opposed to the Health Services, which is dominated by females;
- with regards to the employment equity, professional positions will be advertised in the Transport Directorate for qualified individuals to apply;
- one advert will be placed every six months for qualified individuals to register their interest with the City of Cape Town;
- as vacancies occur, the list of candidates will be consulted and in that way the Department will have a strategy to fast track the filling of vacancies.

Cllr Badela enquired as to how many vacancies are available in the entire Directorate and what processes are in place to fill these vacancies, as finding suitable candidates is a constant concern.

E Sass responded that the age analysis indicates 331 vacancies existed when the report was compiled but many of these vacancies has been filled since then. He further stated that Corporate Human Resources and the Transport Directorate have agreed to employ Labour Brokers to assist in speeding up the filling of vacancies.

R Melody added that there were 69 vacancies filled since the report was compiled.

RESOLVED that the Transport Directorate Vacancy Analysis be noted.

ACTION: R MELODY

TRNS 12/03/20 CAPITAL & OPERATING FINANCIAL REPORT 2019/20 FINANCIAL YEAR

A presentation was made by N Pieterse on the following:

- Capital Budget Allocation per Department
- Department Budget Expenditure Summary
- Overview Summary
- Funding Source Summaries
- Area Based Management Budget Allocation
- Programme Budgeting – Major Programmes & Projects
- PTNG Summary
- USDG Summary
- Ward Allocation
- Operating Budget Expenditure Performance

RESOLVED that the presentation on the Capital and Operating Financial Report 2019/20 Financial year be noted.

ACTION: N PIETERSE

TRNS 13/03/20 LOWER BUITENGRACHT ROAD SCHEME AMENDMENT

It is **RECOMMENDED** that the Portfolio Committee consider the report and requests that Council support the amended road reserve boundaries for this section of Buitengracht Street.

ACTION: J MEYER

TRNS 14/03/20 REVIEW OF ROAD SCHEME: SOMERSET ROAD IN GREEN POINT

It is **RECOMMENDED** that:

- (a) the Portfolio Committee consider the report and requests that Council support the amended road reserve boundaries for this section of Somerset Road;
- (b) Council request the Controlling Authority to amend the previous proclamation pertaining to Somerset Road in terms of Section 5(3) of the Roads Ordinance No. 19 of 1976 to effect the above amendment; and
- (c) that the land use planning process to amend the zoning be actioned once the proclamation amending process is completed.

ACTION: J MEYER

TRNS 15/03/20 RESPONSE TO THE MOTION REGARDING THE REQUEST TO INVESTIGATE A DEDICATED NON-MOTORISED TRANSPORT ROUTE

**ALONG THE ATLANTIC SEA BOARD SUBMITTED TO THE
TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE MEETING OF 6 FEBRUARY
2020**

Cllr Jowell thanked the officials of the Transport Portfolio Committee for the comprehensive report and added that she is looking forward to the site meeting.

RESOLVED that the report on the response to the Motion regarding the request to investigate a dedicated Non-Motorised Transport Route along the Atlantic Sea Board submitted to the Transport Portfolio Committee meeting of 6 February 2020 be noted.

ACTON: T KOK

**TRNS 16/03/20 MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 DECEMBER 2019 TO 31 DECEMBER 2019 ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE TRANSPORT ENFORCEMENT UNIT.
MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 29 DECEMBER 2019 TO 01 FEBRUARY 2020 ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE RAIL ENFORCEMENT UNIT.**

Cllr Liell-Cock enquired whether the commuters are safer on the trains since the employ of the Rail Enforcement Unit.

N Arendse responded that a public safety survey is in the process of being conducted, in order to determine the improvement in the safety of commuters.

Cllr Badela queried the following:

- what the impact of the staff will be;
- the effectiveness of the deployed Metro Protection Services Officers on the trains;
- is the number of staff deployed to PRASA still the same as was declared and if there was a decline, what are the reasons;
- how are the victories claimed, if any, due to the fact that the funds are sourced from the Transport Directorate?

Ald. Purchase responded that there have been numerous joint press releases with PRASA, the City, the Provincial Government and Safety, as well as on the achievements of these units and it is conducted every couple of months. She further stated that another press release is due to be released shortly.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the monthly report for the period 1 December 2019 to 31 December 2019 on the Functioning of the Transport Enforcement Unit be noted;
- (b) the monthly report for the period 29 December 2019 to 01 February 2020 on the Functioning of the Rai Enforcement Unit be noted.

ACTION: N ARENDSE

Meeting concluded at 13h15

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CLLR A MCKENZIE

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