

ITEM C 72/03/15

ANNEXURE A

QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR IN TERMS OF RULE 22 OF THE RULES OF ORDER

COUNCIL MEETING : 25 MARCH 2015

The Mayor released a press statement on 19 February informing us that the City has decided to suspend the Bosassa development indefinitely. This project is to benefit the fire victims of BM Section and WB in Sub-council 09, amongst some areas. We have now seen the damage to OR Tambo hall by disgruntled residence in need of housing.

1. What is the housing development plans for the BM and WB fire victims.
2. What is the timelines for the removal of Blikkiesdorp 2 (adjacent to OR Tambo Hall)
3. In light of the continued problems of floods in winter and fires in summer, what are the housing plans for QQ, RR, TR in Site B and Taiwan, Site C.

Councillor Jerimia Thuynsma (ANC)

ANNEXURE B

REPLY FROM THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR TO QUESTION FROM CLLR J THUYNSMA FOR COUNCIL MEETING 25 MARCH 2015

1. The agreement reached with the BM Section and WB Section fire victims, as well as with the Mfuleni leadership, was that the fire victims will be relocated to Bosassa Extension, and that agreement has not been rescinded. It does however mean that the BM Section development will now also be delayed until such a time as the City will be in a position to complete the Bosassa project.
 2. The OR Tambo Temporary Relocation Area (TRA) was established for the purpose of accommodating some of the fire victims from BM Section until they could be relocated to Bosassa. Thereafter the TRA would have been used as a transit area for the development of the greater BM Section. However, with the stoppage of Bosassa, no definite timeframes can be given.
 3. The Human Settlements Directorate is aware of the flooding and fire risks in these areas. The Human Settlements Directorate is committed to improving or upgrading all informal settlements over time. The Urbanisation Department as well as the Land and Forward Planning Department have identified various parcels of land which have either been acquired or are in the process of being acquired.
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