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FINANCIAL REPORTING AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2013

This report is submitted directly to both the Executive Committee and Council with the concurrence of the Mayor, Councillor E F Mbatha and Speaker, Councillor M S Mnqayi.

PURPOSE

To submit the financial position of the uMhlathuze Municipality as at 30 November 2013, as required in terms of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act No 56 of 2003).

IDP STRATEGY AND OBJECTIVES

DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 5: SOUND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT							
Goal	<u>Objective</u>						
Compliance with financial legislation and policies	 Ensure GRAP compliance Ongoing review of SCM policies and procedures Ongoing internal and external capacity building in Supply Chain Management and Budgeting Models 						
2. Sustainable Financial Management	 Improve internal communication on budget matters Maintenance of fixed asset register Credit control and debt collection Compliant internal controls Compliant grant reporting Obtain targeted cash-backed statutory reserves Development and appropriate training and assistance to employees Identify and redress water and electricity tampering 						

All annexures are circulated under separate cover.

BACKGROUND

<u>Section 71</u> of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (MFMA), (Act 56 of 2003) prescribes certain conditions that need to be complied with in terms of the mentioned Act.

The Accounting Officer of the Municipality must report, by no later than 10 working days after the end of each month, to the Mayor and the relevant Provincial Treasury, a statement in the **prescribed format** on the state of the municipality's budget.

<u>Section 66</u> of the Municipal Finance Management Act further prescribes that all expenditure incurred by the Municipality on staff salaries, allowances and benefits be reported upon in a format and for the prescribed period. It is considered appropriate to report on this section of the Act on a monthly basis, to coincide with the reporting requirements of Section 71(1) of the Act.

As mentioned above, the MFMA Section 71 (1) refers to a prescribed format according to which the annual budget is required to be prepared. National Treasury has issued MFMA Circular No 51 (DMS 633560) in which this prescribed format has been set out. Furthermore, National Treasury has issued Municipal Budget and Reporting Regulations in terms of Government Gazette Number 32141 dated 17 April 2009. These regulations set out the manner in which Municipalities are required to prepare the 2010/2011 Budget as well as the in-year reporting effective from July 2010.

The objectives of the budget formats reforms in terms of these regulations are:

- To ensure that the municipal budget and financial reporting formats support the other financial management reforms introduced by the Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA).
- To formalise the norms and standards governing municipal budget and financial reporting formats, so as to improve the credibility, sustainability, transparency, accuracy and reliability of budgets and in-year reports of municipalities.
- To improve Council's ability to deliver basic services to all by addressing issues of financial sustainability.
- To facilitate informed policy choices by Council and medium term planning of service delivery by aligning targets to achieve backlog elimination.

<u>Section 1</u> of the MFMA defines the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) as:

"A detailed plan approved by the mayor of a municipality in terms of section 53(l)(c)(ii) for implementing the municipality's delivery of municipal services and its annual budget, and which must indicate-

- (a) Projections for each month of-
 - (i) Revenue to be collected, by source; and
 - (ii) Operational and capital expenditure, by vote."

Component 1, made up of actual revenue collected by source and Component 2, made up of actual operational and capital expenditure by vote for the month November 2013 is included under **Annexures Z and AA (DMS 920347)**.

DISCUSSION

This report and the supporting schedules will be forwarded to National and Provincial Treasury as required in terms of Section 71 and Section 74 of the MFMA in both printed and electronic formats.

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PART 1 - IN-YEAR REPORT

1. MAYOR'S REPORT

In terms of the Budget Regulations, Part 1 in-year reporting, the Mayor is required to provide a report / comments on: -

- "(a) a summary of whether the Municipality's budget is being implemented in accordance with the service delivery and budget implementation plan and any service delivery agreements with municipal entities;
- (b) a summary of any financial problems or risks facing the municipality or any such entity; and
- (c) any other information considered relevant by the Mayor."

Monthly Report - November 2013

The monthly budget statement summary (Table C1) for the month of November 2013 (year to date actual), shows a surplus of R88,7 million. This implies that the municipality has been able to raise its budgeted income and has successfully collected such billed income as well.

It is important to note that Council is in the middle of the second quarter of the financial year and capital expenditure is only R40,6 million (11,99%). At the end of November 2013 an amount of R34,8 million for orders that have been placed, but payment will only be made in the following month (as indicated in the table under 3.3 below). Therefore, the revised capital spent as at 30 November 2013 is R75,4 million (22,26%).

The report is noted with appreciation and it is requested that administration continues to report progress on Council's finances.

2. **RESOLUTIONS**

Refer to the recommendations contained in this report.

3. <u>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</u>

3.1 Operating Budget

The following table represents an executive summary for the financial period ended 30 November 2013:

	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA ORIGINAL BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL (YTD) FIGURES TO 30/11/2013	TARGET ACHIEVED
	R '000	R '000	R '000	%
Revenue	1 997 756	832 398	982 600	118
Expenditure	1 989 414	828 923	893 905	108
Surplus	8 342	3 476	88 695	

As can be seen from the table above, Actual Surplus for the month ended 30 November 2013 is higher than the Budgeted Surplus. Both Actual revenue to Budgeted revenue and Actual expenditure to Budgeted expenditure has exceeded the budget.

During the budgeting stage, Council was uncertain as to the frequency of Tata Steel's operations. Therefore Council prudently did not budget for a 12 month period for this revenue. However, Tata Steel has continued operations without any shutdowns thus far. This has resulted in increased revenue for electricity as compared to the pro-rata budget.

The same budgeting approach was used for electricity purchase figures, which has now resulted in increased expenditure.

Furthermore, electricity purchases are higher in July and August due to the increased tariff charged by Eskom in the winter months. The expenditure will even out during the remainder of the financial year. It is therefore expected that expenditure spending patterns will regulate as the year progresses.

3.2 Cash Flow Situation

Details of Bank Balances

	CASH ON HAND AT 30 NOVEMBER 2013	CASH OBLIGATIONS	POLICY TARGET	(SHORTFALL) / SURPLUS AT 30 NOV 2013
	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000
Conditional Grants and unspent loans	151 396	151 396	151 396	0
Working Capital	310 674	162 774	325 548	(14 874)
Total	462 070	314 170	476 944	(14 874)

In terms of Council's Adopted Working Capital policy the objective is for Working Capital to be two (2) times the average monthly creditors of the municipality. This ratio sits currently at 1,91:1 (310 674/162 774).

It bears noting that the Chief Financial Officer does not include Grants and Unspent Loans in the above equation in order to ensure that Council's Actual Working Capital is accurately recorded.

Should the calculation be based on total cash on hand the ratio will be 2,84:1 (462070/162 774). The Chief Financial Officer does not however see this as a prudent analysis of liquidity. This position also indicates that there has been considerable amount of progress made from the previous month's shortfall of R68 419 to R14 874 in November 2013.

The table below reflects the grants gazetted and received as at 31 November 2013 from National and Provincial Treasury.

DESCRIPTION OF GRANT	TOTAL AMOUNT GAZETTED TO 31 OCTOBER 2013	AMOUNT GAZETTED FOR NOVEMBER 2013	TOTAL TO BE RECEIVED AS AT 30/11/2013	AMOUNT RECEIVED IN NOVEMBER 2013	TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED AS AT 30/11/2013	DIFFERENCE	COMMENTS					
NATIONAL TREASURY												
Equitable Share	79 327 000	63 461 000	142 788 000	63 461 000	142 414 000	374 000	An amount of R374 000 has been withheld from the equitable share by National Treasury for unspent Financial Management grant 2011/2012. However, National Treasury has been requested for the grant to be rolled-over to the 2012/2013 financial year. Correspondence to this effect has been sent through to COGTA for further assistance in re-claiming the funds. To date no further correspondence has been received from COGTA or National Treasury regarding these funds.					
Water Services Operating subsidy	5 047 000	0	5 047 000	0	2 187 000	2 860 000	National Treasury paid an amount of R937 000 to Council in September 2013. A further amount of R1 250 000 was received in October 2013. Expenditure amounting to R 964 494 has been incurred on this project. Receipt of further transfers is seriously under threat, accordingly to the DWA official, due to the low spend on this grant.					
Financial Management Grant	1 550 000	0	1 550 000	0	1 550 000	0	J					
Municipal Systems Improvement grant	890 000	0	890 000	0	890 000	0						
Infrastructure Skills Development Grant	2 000 000	0	2 000 000	0	2 000 000	0						
Extended Public Works programme	400 000	300 000	700 000	0	400 000	0						
Municipal Infrastructure Grant	60 688 000	0	60 688 000	0	60 688 000	0						
Total National Treasury	149 902 000	63 761 000	213 363 000	63 461 000	210 129 000	3 234 000						

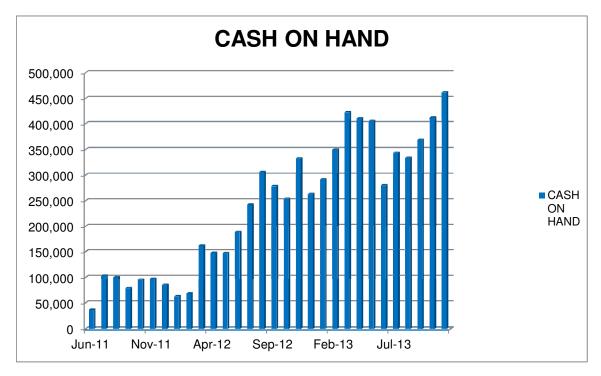
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DESCRIPTION OF GRANT	TOTAL AMOUNT GAZETTED TO 31 OCTOBER 2013	AMOUNT GAZETTED FOR NOVEMBER 2013	TOTAL TO BE RECEIVED AS AT 30/11/2013	AMOUNT RECEIVED IN NOVEMBER 2013	TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED AS AT 30/11/2013	DIFFERENCE	COMMENTS
			PROV	INCIAL TREASURY			
Housing Operating account	0	0	0	1 430 000	4 330 400	(4 330 400)	This amount was not included in the Provincial Budget statements 2013/2014. However, Council has received these funds.
Library Subsidy	5 846 000	0	5 846 000	0	5 846 000	0	
Library Subsidy – Cyber Cadets	720 000	0	720 000	0	720 000	0	
Museum Subsidy	143 000	0	143 000	0	143 000	0	
Total Provincial Treasury	6 709 000	0	6 709 000	1 430 000	11 039 400	(4 330 400)	
Total Grants	156 611 000	0	220 072 000	64 891 000	221 168 400	(1 096 400)	

Bank Balance Trend since June 2011

Table:

	Jun-11	Aug-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	July-13	Aug-13	Sept13	Oct13	Nov 13
	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R' 000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
CASH ON HAND	37 142	307 017	278 805	253 890	333 321	263 366	291 714	350 132	423 311	411 345	405 663	280 396	343 845	334 581	368 944	412 940	462 070



The cash flow situation is still a critical aspect for the municipality and is being constantly monitored. As mentioned previously the situation is gradually improving. However, the liquidity ratios have almost reached the acceptable standard norms but still need to be monitored on a continuous basis.

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3.3 Capital Budget Summary

	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	TOTAL ACTUAL EXPENDITURE AS AT 31 NOVEMBER 2013	ORDERS PLACED - PAYMENTS PENDING	PERCENTAGE SPENT
	R'000	R'000	R'000	%
Executive and Council	375	227	13	60.65
Budget and Treasury Office	4 751	28	0	0,60
Corporate Services	37 027	6 483	2 457	17,51
Community and Social services	16 572	2 784	1 227	16,80
Sport and Recreation	24 693	746	1 026	3,02
Public Safety	13 697	710	514	5,19
Housing	0	917	0	0
Health	6 193	210	197	3,39
Planning and Development	156	33	0	21,52
Road Transport	37 780	1 142	966	3,02
Electricity	58 818	4 159	6 970	7,07
Water	55 372	15 069	20 031	27,21
Waste Water Management (Sanitation)	72 259	8 110	674	11,22
Waste Management (Solid Waste)	11 021	0	767	0
Total	338 714	40 621	34 844	11,99

Note: Housing – An amount of R26,2 million was unspent on the Hostels Refurbishment grant as at 30 June 2013. Expenditure is being incurred on this grant and the budget will be corrected during the Adjustment Budget.

The above table represents Capital Expenditure incurred as at 30 November 2013 (11,99%). However, with the inclusion of pending payments of 34,8 million the expenditure stands at 22,26%.

Unspent grants applied to National Treasury to be rolled over

DESCRIPTION OF GRANT	UNSPENT GRANT 30/06/2013	EXPENDITURE YEAR TO DATE	AVAILABLE BALANCE
	R	R	R
MIG	64 763 706	0	64 763 706
Energy Demand Management	6 683 312	1 164 758	5 518 554
Total	71 447 018	1 164 758	70 282 260

This table will be reported on monthly. The amounts applied for as roll-overs have been approved by National Treasury in terms of DMS 909846. These figures will be finalised in the Adjustment Budget 2013/2014.

The total adopted capital budget funding structure is as follows:

TYPE OF FUNDING	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	TOTAL ACTUAL EXPENDITURE AS 30 NOVEMBER 2013	ORDERS PLACED - PAYMENTS PENDING	% SPENT / BUDGET
	R '000	R '000	R'000	
External loans	136 119	7 623	66 822	5,60
Capital replacement Reserve	87 820	11 377	5 208	12,95
MIG	83 697	18 713	18 458	22,36
Other Government Grants	10 000	930	0	9,17
Public Contributions	16 237	1 978	18	12,18
Reserves	4 841	0	0	0
Total	338 714	40 621	34 844	11,99

The table below reflects a list of all tenders awarded in November 2013.

Tender Number	RPT Number	Project Description	Date Awarded	Amount (excl VAT)	Vote number	Budget
				R		R
8/2/1/799	154333	Construction of Market Stalls at B-rank Empangeni	12/11/2013	2 793 077	INFTRADE/1/0	3 972 979
8/2/1/867	154702	Construction of 14 Speed Humps and 6 raised pedestrian crossings In the City of uMhlathuze	20/11/2013	328 000	222/572/75	301 900
8/2/1/883	154924	Refurbishment of Ablution Facility at Parks Depot at eSikhaleni	20/11/2013	568 459	273/632/02 273/532/02	675 000
8/2/1/785B	154758	Provision of Sport Facilities at eSikhaleni	20/11/2013	1 425 594	SPRTFAC/1/0	GRANT FUNDED
8/2/1/894	155046	Expansion of the Alkantstrand Beach Recreation Area into Newark Beach Node	22/11/2013	2 265 101	BEACHEXP/1/0	3 371 131
8/2/1/843	154964	Supply and Installation of New Water Meters for City of uMhlathuze Traditional Areas	22/11/2013	1 295 905	246/636/01	2 000 000
8/2/1/837	155175	Management, Operation And Maintenance Of Water And Wastewater Treatment Facilities And Associated Bulk Distribution Infrastructure for a period of three years	27/11/2013	71 901 642	035/044 059/044	44 648 000
8/2/1/782	155108	Repairs To Surfaced Roads	03/12/2013	2 693 900	022/254/A4 060/238/A4&B4	422 300
TOTAL OF ALL TE	ENDERS ABOV	/E		83 271 678		

3.4 Expenditure per Category

EXPENDITURE PER CATEGORY	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOV 2013 (YTD)	% OF PRO- RATA BUDGET
	R'000	R'000	R'000	%
Employee Related Costs	508 764	211 985	195 386	92
Remuneration of Councillors	21 529	8 970	7 165	80
Debt Impairment	2 075	865	865	0
Depreciation and Offsetting of depreciation	145 218	60 508	60 508	100
Finance Charges	75 538	31 474	31 474	100
Bulk Purchases - Water	97 958	40 816	33 706	83
Bulk Purchases - Electricity	830 923	346 218	443 491	128
Other Materials	24 033	10 014	9 220	92
Contracted Services	129 661	54 025	52 769	98
Transfers and Grants	9 904	4 127	2 889	70
Other Expenditure	143 811	59 921	56 434	94
TOTAL	1 989 414	828 923	893 905	108

The above table represents operating expenditure per category incurred as at 30 November 2013.

Bulk Purchases – **Electricity**: The same comments provided in the table below with regards to Tata Steel also apply to the actual Electricity Purchases. Furthermore, electricity purchases are higher in July and August due to the increase tariff charged by Eskom in the winter months. The expenditure will even out during the remainder of the financial year.

3.5 Revenue per Category

The source of funding for the above comprises the following revenue categories:

REVENUE PER CATEGORY	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOV 2013 (YTD)	% OF PRO- RATA BUDGET
	R'000	R'000	R'000	%
Rates	275 000	114 583	117 030	102
Service Charges - Electricity revenue	1 141 500	475 625	618 763	130
Service Charges - Water revenue	166 853	69 522	77 275	111
Service Charges - Sanitation revenue	74 241	30 934	30 358	98
Service Charges - Refuse revenue	57 050	23 771	24 331	102
Service Charges - Other revenue	12 472	5 197	5 984	115
Rental of Facilities and Equipment	10 878	4 533	6 280	139
Interest earned - External Investments	4 152	1 730	2 458	142
Interest earned - Outstanding Debtors	1 597	665	569	86
Fines	10 102	4 209	3 692	88
Licenses and Permits	2 747	1 145	749	65
Agency services	5 800	2 417	2 670	110
Operating Grants and Subsidies	219 635	91 515	89 216	97
Other Revenue	15 729	6 554	3 224	49
Gains on disposal of PPE	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1 997 756	832 398	982 600	118

The above table represents operating revenue per category as at 30 November 2013.

The revenue illustrated in the above table is performing well when compared with the pro rata budget.

Service Charges - Electricity revenue during the budgeting stage, Council was uncertain as to the frequency of Tata Steel's operations. Therefore, Council prudently did not budget for a 12 month period for this revenue. However, Tata Steel has continued operations without any shutdowns thus far. This has resulted in increased revenue for electricity as compared to the pro-rata budget.

Service Charges – Other revenue: Increased revenue earned from reconnection water and electricity fees.

Interest Earned - external investments: Due to the improvement in the cash flow situation of the municipality, the income earned from the investment of surplus cash has increased.

3.6 Surplus and Deficit by GFS Function

		ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014			ACTUAL AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2013			
FUNCTION	Revenue	Expenditure	Surplus / (Deficit)	Revenue	Expenditure	Surplus / (Deficit)		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000		
Rates and General Services								
Executive and Council	105	1 233	(1 128)	534	745	(211)		
Budget and Treasury Office	289 313	4 501	284 812	123 792	(1 733)	125 525		
Corporate Services	9 909	69 053	(59 143)	3 410	24 423	(21 014)		
Community and Social services	8 858	47 693	(38 835)	7 161	19 092	(11 930)		
Sport and Recreation	2 844	103 988	(101 143)	2 469	35 764	(33 295)		
Public Safety	11 600	101 830	(90 230)	4 161	39 669	(35 508)		
Housing	1 020	6 514	(5 493)	362	3 657	(3 296)		
Health	4 868	28 155	(23 287)	3 442	10 782	(7 340)		
Planning and Development	2 327	36 649	(34 322)	670	11 846	(11 176)		
Road Transport	9 974	139 745	(129 772)	4 245	52 127	(47 882)		
Environmental Protection	0	11 134	(11 134)	0	11 051	(11 051)		
Other	450	342	108	462	39	423		
Total Rates and General	341 268	550 836	(209 567)	150 708	207 463	(56 755)		

		ORIGINAL BUI 2013/2014	- -	ACTUAL AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2013			
FUNCTION	Revenue	Expenditure	Surplus / (Deficit)	Revenue	Expenditure	Surplus / (Deficit)	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Trading Services							
Electricity	1 148 613	934 741	213 872	621 720	484 307	137 413	
Water	314 408	303 542	10 865	131 288	118 012	13 276	
Waste Water Management (Sanitation)	106 949	116 205	(9 256)	42 299	47 719	(5 420)	
Waste Management (Solid Waste)	86 518	84 091	2 428	36 585	36 405	180	
Total Trading Services	1 656 488	1 438 578	217 910	831 892	686 443	145 449	
Grand Total	1 997 756	1 989 414	8 342	982 600	893 907	88 694	

The table above sets out the surplus and deficit for each GFS function. It is important to note that although the trading services namely Electricity, Water, Waste Management and Waste Water Management are supposed to be profitable, only Electricity service is making significant surpluses.

As part of Council's revenue enhancement policy approved in July 2013, a considerable effort needs to be made to improve the surplus for the remaining trading services by reducing expenditure or increasing revenue.

The main aim of this table is to provide information to departments in order for them to manage their respective functions and ensure that revenue and expenditure is in line with budget expectations.

3.7 <u>Debtors Age Analysis</u>

> Debtors age analysis by category

DEBTORS AGE ANALYSIS BY CATEGORY	0 - 30 DAYS	31 - 60 DAYS	61 - 90 DAYS	OVER 90 DAYS	TOTAL
	R	R	R	R	R
Government	10 986 511	(1 107 215)	1 116 755	4 932 099	15 928 150
Business	145 398 590	8 652 220	7 152 122	32 621 830	193 824 762
Households	33 939 665	3 059 967	1 606 435	35 209 953	73 816 020
Other	12 686 729	(2 803 350)	(3 781 046)	3 045 885	9 148 218
Total	203 011 495	7 801 622	6 094 267	75 809 769	292 717 153
%	69%	3%	2%	26%	

> Indicator Results

INDICATOR	PERFORMANCE TARGET	RESULT
Collection Rate in days	Below 60 days	45.01
Debtor's Turnover Rate	Below 20 %	12.33%
Average Payment %	Above 98%	96.64%

MONTH	TOTAL CONSUMER DEBTORS
	R '000
November 2013	292,7
October 2013	276,0
September 2013	280,2
August 2013	316,5
July 2013	299,0
June 2013	241,8
May 2013	216,5
April 2013	220,9
March 2013	230,3
February 2013	253,1
January 2013	256,4
December 2012	275,1
November 2012	250,6
October 2012	264,8
September 2012	259,2

The year on year comparison of the collection rate in days is relatively constant. The category of debtors greater than 90 days is receiving specific attention from the Credit Control Unit.

The initial focus has been on the business sector and government debt. However, the materiality of the amount owed by households cannot be ignored.

The main residential debt is in the traditional areas as the collection levels are far below those of the urban areas.

3.8 Employee Debt / Councillor Debt

At a previous Financial Services Portfolio Committee meeting, Councillors requested that Official's and Councillor's debt be submitted to Council.

Employee debt amounts to R190 880,54 as per **Annexure AB (DMS 920347)**.

Councillor's debt amounts to R769,53 as per Annexure AC (DMS 920347).

4. <u>EXCEPTION REPORTING ON OPERATING EXPENSES - FOR ENTIRE MUNICIPALITY</u>

The Chief Financial Officer will highlight what he deems are important observations on the operating expenditure in this Section, where after Departments will provide specific comment on their own sections.

It is very important for Council and the Administration to understand that although the liquidity situation is improving and there is a surplus on the current figures, expenditure has to take place in accordance with the approved budget. If not, the objective of attempting to create internal reserves for future Capital Expenditure from accumulated cash reserves is not going to materialise.

4.1 Copy Charges Costs

DESCRIPTION	ITEM NO	ADOPTED BUDGET 2012/2013	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE 2012/2013	AVERAGE EXPENDITURE PER MONTH 2012/2013	EXPENDITURE AS AT 30/11/2013	AVERAGE EXPENDITURE PER MONTH 2013/2014	PROJECTED TOTAL COST TO JUNE 2014
		R	R	R	R	R	R
Copy Charges	124/xx	436 300	1 199 641	99 970	911 571	182 314	2 187 770

In terms of Council Resolution 8348B dated 26 February 2013 (RPT 152878), Tender 8/2/1/739 - Appointment of a service provider for the implementation of Managed Print Solution (MPS) for a period of three years was awarded to Nashua Zululand.

It is important to note that increase in printing costs was to be expected as an improved service has been received by each department. It must also be noted that the average expenditure per month for the 2012/2013 financial year did not include any capital costs and that this cost is however included in the average expenditure per month for the 2013/2014 financial year.

4.2 Employee related costs

Total employee related expenditure is within budgetary limits. Several of the funded vacant posts have been advertised recently and are expected to be filled within the next two to three months. This will result in increased expenditure.

Below is a table indicating overtime expenditure at the request of Council, which allows this expenditure to be monitored and managed on a monthly basis.

EXPENDITURE PER CATEGORY	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	(OVER) EXPENDITURE	% OF PRO- RATA BUDGET UNDER SPENT
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	%
Overtime	25 834	10 764	11 480	(715)	107

The table below indicates the total number of overtime hours worked and the total number of temporary and permanent employees.

EMPLOYEES	JUL	Y 2013	AUG	AUGUST 2013		SEPTEMBER 2013 OCTOBER 2013		OCTOBER 2013		BER 2013
	TOTAL HOURS	TOTAL EMPLOYEES	TOTAL HOURS	TOTAL EMPLOYEES	TOTAL HOURS	TOTAL EMPLOYEES	TOTAL HOURS	TOTAL EMPLOYEES	TOTAL HOURS	TOTAL EMPLOYEES
Permanent	22 582,75	700	24 412,50	645	24 060,50	666	25 677,90	690	26 376,75	702
Temporary	80,00	10	58,50	1	50,00	1	320,00	36	8	1
Total	22 662,75	710	24 471	646	24 110,50	667	25 997,90	726	36 384,75	703

Planned Repairs and Maintenance programmes should be standard practice for both infrastructure and movable assets such as Plant and Vehicles.

The table below represents the expenditure incurred on overtime for each department for the month of November 2013. The relevant departments have supplied the comments for the over-expenditures incurred on overtime.

DEPARTMENT	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER/ (OVER) EXPENDITURE	% OF PRO- RATA BUDGET (OVERSPENT) / UNDERSPENT
	R	R	R	R	%
City Development	0	0	0	0	0
Community Services	14 999 000	6 249 583	5 974 502	275 082	96
Corporate Services	195 900	81 625	120 347	(38 722)	147
Financial Services	103 800	43 250	40 129	3 121	93
Infrastructure and Technical Services	10 535 600	4 389 833	5 344 707	(954 873)	122
Office of the Municipal Manager	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	25 834 300	10 764 292	11 479 684	(715 392)	107

Detailed explanations that have been provided by the departments on the over-expenditure reflected in the table above have been included below (5. Exception Reporting - Departmental).

The Community Services Department should be commended for the R275 082 savings that has been realised to date.

5. **EXCEPTION REPORTING - DEPARTMENTAL**

5.1 Community Services, Health and Public Safety - Overtime

	COMMUNITY SERVICES, HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY									
		OVERTIM	<u>E</u>							
VOTE	DESCRIPTION ORIGINAL PRO-RATA ACTUAL UNDER BUDGET BUDGET NOVEMBER (OVER 2013/2014 (YTD) 2013 (YTD) EXPENDIT									
		R	R	R	R					
	COMMU	NITY SERVICES	AND HEALTH	4						
005	Fire Brigade	1 906 800	794 500	726 986	67 514					
006	Traffic	2 918 500	1 216 042	1 154 973	61 069					
029	Commuter Facilities	111 400	46 417	47 891	(1 475)					
032	Street Cleaning	3 777 500	1 573 958	1 803 741	(229 783)					
033	Refuse Removal	4 550 900	1 896 208	1 493 893	402 316					
037	Public Conveniences	85 600	35 667	55 119	(19 453)					
Sub - total		13 350 700	5 562 792	5 282 603	280 189					

□ <u>Vote 029 - Commuter facilities, Vote 032 - Street Cleaning and Vote 037 - Public Conveniences</u>

The fact that November had 5 weekends may have contributed to the over-expenditure. Also the fact that section had used employees under Vote 32 to do the work of those in Vote 33 lead to the over expenditure on Vote 32, yet there is under-expenditure on Vote 33. The votes will be balanced during the Adjustment Budget. Generally the over expenditure in other votes can be compensated by Vote 33 under-expenditure within Waste Management votes.

	COMMUNITY SERVICES, HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY									
	OVERTIME									
VOTE	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER/(OVER) EXPENDITURE					
		R	R	R	R					
	RECREATION AI	ND ENVIRON	MENTAL SER	VICES						
002	Cemetery	651 900	271 625	284 028	(12 403)					
024	Sport Development and Sports Field	191 000	79 583	67 593	11 991					
025	Stadium	0	0	0	0					
027	Beach Facilities	334 800	139 500	159 070	(19 570)					
042	Swimming Pools	427 800	178 250	153 762	24 488					
073	073 Parks Distribution Account		17 833	27 446	(9 613)					
Sub - tota	al	1 648 300	686 792	691 899	(5 107)					
TOTAL		14 999 000	6 249 583	5 974 502	275 082					

□ Vote 002 - Cemetery

Burials fluctuate from month to month. However, the majority of the burials take place during weekends.

Vote 027 - Beach Facilities

The Spring season commenced in September thus warm weather experienced during this period resulted in public flocking to the beaches. Facilities being available 7 days a week, including the recent public holidays, resulted in the increased overtime expenditure. The Blue Flag Status awarded to the City also requires that staff be present at all times to ensure that the facility is kept to the required standard at all times and thus contributing to the over-expenditure.

5.2 Corporate Services - Overtime

	CORPORATE SERVICES						
	OVERTIME - ADMINISTRATION						
VOTE	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER / (OVER) EXPENDITURE		
		R	R	R	R		
001	Administration	34 800	14 500	34 130	(19 630)		
016	Municipal Halls	36 900	15 375	27 844	(12 469)		
030	Council general expenditure	85 600	35 667	29 614	6 052		
078	Printing and photocopy	38 600	16 083	28 759	(12 676)		
TOTAL	•	195 900	81 625	120 347	(38 722)		

Vote 001 – Administration / Vote 030 – Council general expenditure / Vote 078 – Printing and Photocopying

Increased expenditure on overtime has been incurred as a result of the following:

- after-hours printing and delivery of agendas;
- preparation for all meetings of Council; and
- late submission of urgent reports to the Committee Section.

Vote 016 - Municipal Halls

The revamp of the Empangeni Hall was completed on 31 September 2013.

Delays were experienced as the contractor was still in the process of cleaning certain portions of the site. The inspection by the Project Management unit and the SHE Section had to be performed after hours to ensure that the hall was available for the booking scheduled on 1 October 2013.

5.3 Financial Services - Overtime

	FINANCIAL SERVICES						
	OVERTIME						
VOTE	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO- RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER / (OVER) EXPENDITURE		
		R	R	R	R		
040	Financial Services	28 900	12 042	13 439	(1 397)		
066	Supply Chain Management Unit	74 900	31 208	26 690	4 519		
TOTAL		103 800	43 250	40 129	3 121		

□ Vote 040 - Financial Services

Financial Services Revenue Section experienced computer system difficulties during year end processes that resulted in unavoidable overtime that needed to be performed.

5.4 <u>Infrastructure and Technical Services - Overtime</u>

INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNICAL SERVICES							
	OVERTIME - ELECTRICAL SUPPLY SERVICES						
VOTE	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER / (OVER) EXPENDITURE		
		R	R	R	R		
072	Electricity Distribution	2 849 700	1 187 375	1 430 342	(242 967)		
Subtotal		2 849 700	1 187 375	1 430 342	(242 967)		

□ Vote 072 - Electricity Distribution

Over expenditure on overtime is due to the following:

- Installation of new 3 Way RMU at University of Zululand Substation.
- Increased 11kV cable failures in eSikhaleni due to age of cables 1st generation XLPE cables (included on the risk report with planning and strategy to budget for replacement).
- Numerous trips at Dumisane Makhaye Village phase 1 (old Eskom reticulation under designed). Solid links to be replaced with proper rated fuse links.
- Trips at Ngwelezane Main 11kV switching substation due to problems with Eskom protection grading settings. The technicians were able to solve certain issues. This includes cable faults not seen by protection as a result of grading problem.
- Cable damage due to construction work in Empangeni with the new road widening.
- Unplanned cane fire burning and runaway bush fires. Damage caused to wooden pole structures and overhead lines. Intense heat caused lonization of air around 132kV lines and caused flash overs resulting in outages.
- Pole mounted transformer failure in Brackenham. Transformer replaced. Insulation failure due to age.

OVERTIME - ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES							
VOTE	DESCRIPTION ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014 PRO-RATA BUDGET (YTD)			ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER / (OVER) EXPENDITURE		
		R	R	R	R		
067	Mechanical services	279 200	116 333	270 761	(154 427)		
Sub-total		279 200	116 333	270 761	(154 427)		

Vote 067 - Mechanical Services

Over expenditure on overtime is due to the following:

- Continuous breakdowns on aged waste management trucks;
- Backlogs on services as majority of vehicles are out of warranty;
- Breakdowns on water tankers; and
- The filling in of vacant mechanic and superintendent posts.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNICAL SERVICES							
	OVERTIME - TRANSPORT, ROADS AND STORMWATER						
VOTE	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO- RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER / (OVER) EXPENDITURE		
		R	R	R	R		
068	Roads and Stormwater Distribution	540 100	225 042	11 130	213 911		
Sub-total		540 100	225 042	11 130	213 911		

No comments required.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNICAL SERVICES							
	OVERTIME - WATER AND SANITATION SERVICES						
VOTE	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2013/2014	PRO- RATA BUDGET (YTD)	ACTUAL NOVEMBER 2013 (YTD)	UNDER / (OVER) EXPENDITURE		
		R	R	R	R		
062	Scientific Services	22 700	9 458	881	8 577		
074	Water and sewerage distribution	6 315 300	2 631 375	3 420 928	(789 553)		
087	Sewerage pump station distribution	528 600	220 250	210 665	9 585		
Sub-total		6 866 600	2 861 083	3 632 474	(771 391)		
Total		10 535 600	4 389 833	5 344 707	(954 873)		

Vote 074 - Water and Sewerage Distribution

Overtime has been incurred due to ageing infrastructure for both drinking water and wastewater. Most of the City's urban reticulation has surpassed its design life capacity and is due for large-scale replacement. Delays in Supply Chain Management procurement in terms of plant hire such as excavator has also contributed to increased overtime expenditure. Drinking water and sewer network historical design play a major role in response time.

6. <u>IN-YEAR BUDGET STATEMENT TABLES</u>

The following monthly budget statement tables (**DMS 920346**) respectively have been prepared in accordance with the Municipal Budgeting and Reporting Regulations:

TABLE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	ANNEX
Table C1	Monthly Budget Statement Summary	Α
Table C2	Monthly Budget Financial Performance (Standard Classification)	В
Table C2C	Monthly Budget Financial Performance (Detail) (Standard Classification)	С
Table C3	Monthly Budget Financial Performance (Revenue and Expenditure by Municipal Vote)	D
Table C3C	Monthly Budget Financial Performance (Detail) (Revenue and Expenditure by Municipal Vote)	Ш
Table C4	Monthly Budget Financial Performance (Revenue by source and Expenditure by Item)	F
Table C5	Monthly Budgeted Capital Expenditure Budget by vote, standard classification and funding	G
Table C5C	Monthly Budgeted Capital Expenditure Budget by vote, standard classification and funding	Н
Table C6	Monthly Budgeted Financial Position	I
Table C7	Monthly Budgeted Cash Flows	J
Table SC1	Material variance explanations	K
Table SC2	Monthly Performance indicators	L
Table SC3	Aged Debtors	М
Table SC4	Aged Creditors	N
Table SC5	Investment Portfolio	0
Table SC6	Transfers and grant receipts	Р
Table SC7(1)	Transfers and grant expenditure	Q
Table SC7(2)	Expenditure Against Approved Rollovers	R
Table SC8	Councillor and Staff Benefits	S
Table SC9	Monthly actuals and revised targets for cash receipts (cash flow)	Т
Table SC12	Monthly capital expenditure trend	U
Table SC13a	Monthly capital expenditure on new assets by asset class	V
Table SC13b	Monthly capital expenditure on the renewal of existing assets by asset class	W
Table SC13c	Monthly repairs and maintenance expenditure by asset class	Х
Table SC13d	Monthly depreciation by asset class	Υ

PART 2 - SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

7. <u>DEBTORS ANALYSIS</u>

Refer to supporting table SC3 - Aged Debtors ($\bf Annexure~M$) for the month ended 30 November 2013.

8. <u>CREDITORS ANALYSIS</u>

Refer to supporting table SC4 - Aged Creditors (**Annexure N**) for the month ended 30 November 2013.

9. INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

Refer to supporting table SC5 - Investment portfolio (**Annexure O**) for the month ended 30 November 2013.

10. <u>ALLOCATION AND GRANT RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE AND EXPENDITURE</u> AGAINST APPROVED ROLLOVERS

Refer to supporting table SC6 - Transfers and grant receipts (**Annexure P**) and supporting table SC7(1) - transfers and grant expenditure (**Annexure Q**) and supporting table SC7(2) - expenditure against approved Rollovers (**Annexure R**) for the month ended 30 November 2013.

11. COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Refer to supporting table SC8 - Councillor and staff benefits (**Annexure S**) for the month ended 30 November 2013.

12. CAPITAL PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE

Refer to the following tables for the month ended 30 November 2013.

- Table C5 Monthly Budgeted Capital Expenditure Budget by vote, standard classification and funding (Annexure G)
- □ Table C5C Monthly Budgeted Capital Expenditure Budget by vote, standard classification and funding (**Annexure H**)
- □ Table SC12 Monthly capital expenditure trend (**Annexure U**)
- □ Table SC13a Monthly capital expenditure on new assets by asset class (Annexure V)
- □ Table SC13b Monthly capital expenditure on the renewal of existing assets by asset class (**Annexure W**)
- □ Table SC13c Monthly repairs and maintenance expenditure by asset class (Annexure X)
- □ Table SC13d Monthly depreciation by asset class (**Annexure Y**)

Actual capital expenditure which represents payments made during the reporting period, constitutes only 11,99% (R40,6 million) of the original budget of R338,7 million. However, at the end of November 2013 an amount of R34,8 million for orders that payment will only be made in the following months is shown. Therefore, the revised capital spending at 30 November 2013 is R75,4 million (22,26%). Refer to 3.3 above for capital budget summary.

13. MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Refer to DMS 922550 (Annexure AD)

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

No environmental implications.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This has been covered in detail throughout the report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The monthly financial report is prepared in terms of Section 71 of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (MFMA), (Act 56 of 2003).

COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Refer to the Executive summary contained in this report.

RECOMMENDED THAT:

the Financial position of the uMhlathuze Municipality as at 30 November 2013, as required in terms of Section 71 and Section 66 of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act No 56 of 2003), and as set out in the monthly budget statement tables (**DMS 920346**), be noted.