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# Mayor opens state of the art multi purpose centre eSikhaleni

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Community members of mainly section H2 at eSikhaleni and surroundings are breathing a sigh of relief as the state of the art municipal centre is officialy open for community usage.

City of uMhlathuze Mayor Cllr Mduduzi Mhlongo, said this is a swift response by the caring municipality following the request by the community to bring municipal facilities closer to them in the same standard as those in town and surbubs.

“About a year or so we had communities of section H2 as well as the residents of the then hostels protesting about few things that the municipality should attend to. Amongst those, was the issue of this facility which was dilapidating. I personally came here to receive the grievances that we will attend to. The handover of the facility to the community will offer more convinience such as five cashier counters to ease long queues and decrease time of offering our services. We are working with the KZN Department of Transport to finalise a few compliance matters for the traffic kiosk where motorists will now renew vehicle licences nearby where they live instead of travelling to eMpangeni or Richards Bay,” Mhlongo said.

Mhlongo also took part in the Siyasizana Consumer Education campaign wherein he engaged community members on the issue of water and electricity supply and other services rendered by the City of uMhlathuze. “We would like to apologise upfront on how we supply you with mainly water. We are experiencing a number of challenges in our infrastructure and we are working on that with our engineers. What we ought to do is to always inform you in advance when we will have a planned shut down and when water will be restored, except in exceptional cases such as the pipe bursts,” Mhlongo said.

The community/customers will now have an opportunity to receive the same quality service offered in Richards Bay main office with additional three private offices or cubicles for private payment arrangements for those who are financially contrained.

The upgrade also include a bigger Accounts Enquiries Section to accommodate the high number of customers who are served in eSikhawini and surroundings for their municipal account enquiries.

The office physical features are now accommodative of people with a disability with a widened doorway to allow a wheelchair to pass through easily. The eSikhawini H2 offices also accomodates Human Settlement and Corporate Services and Hall Bookings.

## COVID-19

**Take Responsibility for your safety and the safety of others.**

*Information sourced from coronavirus.co.za

- Keep a distance of 1.5 meters from other people.
- Wash or sanitise your hands regularly.
- Wear a cloth mask when in public.
- Clean surfaces regularly.

# Kunikezelwe ngamathangi amanzi anagaphezulu kuka-100

**Amathangi amanzi anikezelwe umphakathi ukuqinisekisa ukuthi unamanzi amaningi ukuze ukwazi ukuzhlala uhlanzekile futhi unempilo ngesikhathi sokulwa negciwane i-coronavirus.**

**Lama thangi abedlulele ku-100 aphinde afakwa nasezindaweni ezifana namarenki ukuze kusizakale abashayeli nabagibeli ukuze bahlale behlanzekile.**

UMPHAKATHI waseMhlathuze ikakhulukazi owentula amanzi ageleza ngamapayipi uthole ukwengezelwa ngamathangi angaphezulu kuka-100 ukuqinisekisa ukuthi unamanzi amaningi ukuze ukwazi ukuhlala uhlanzekile futhi unempilo ngesikhathi sokulwa negciwane i-coronavirus.

Lama thangi amakhulu afakwe ezindaweni zomphakathi ezisemakhaya Kanye nasemawadini anezinkinga zamanzi. Amanye amathangi afakwe emarenke ukuze abagibeli, abadayisi, abashayeli nabanikazi bezinto zokuthutha bakwazi ukuthola amanzi okuhlamba izandla kanye nawokuphuza. Lama thange awokwengeza njengoba amarenke amaningi akhiwa wuMasipala uMhlathuze enazo izindlu zangasese ezinamanzi ompompi Kanye nawokuphuza. Ukwengeza kwenzelwe ukukhuthaza wonke umuntu nongenaso isidingo sokungena endlini encane, ukuba akwazi ukuwasha izandla uma ehla noma engena ekhumbini kumbe ebhasini.

Lama thangi azohlale njalo egcwaliswa amanzi ngamaloli athutha amanzi ajwayelekile. Ukwengeza amathangi kuza nokulethwa kwezimoto ezimbili zamanzi ukuze zilekelele njengoba amathangi esemaningi ngalesi sikhathi isizwe sonke sisalwa nobhubhane lwe-Coronavirus.

UMnyango wezokuBambisana neziNdaba zoMdabu ezweni kanye naKwaZulu-Natal, yiwona ohamba phambili kulolu hlelo nokuqinisekisa ukuthi umyalelo okhishwe wuhulumeni wokuthi bonke abantu kumele babe namanzi uyagcineka.

"Ukonakala kokunye wukulunga kokunye. Ukufika kwalesi sifo kuyishwa kodwa kuyizindaba ezinhle ngasohlangothini lokuphakelwa kwamanzi ezindaweni ebesinenkinga kuzona nebesibanjwa yimigomo emininingi kanjalo nemali ukuthi sikwazi ukuzihlinzeka ngamanzi ngesikhathi esifisa ngazo. Sibhekene nenselelo ke njengoMasipala wokuqinisekisa ukuthi lama thangi siwalayisha amanzi nsuku zonke noma ngabe isifo se-Coronavirus sesidambile nanoma sesinqobekile. Abantu bakithi bahlale bewadinga amanzi okuphuza nezinye izidingo zempilo. Siyanxusa emphakathini wonkana ukuba uwanakekele lama thangi ungawalimazi, ungawasusi izivalo, ungaphuli ompompi futhi kungaphonswa izinto ngaphakathi kuwona ezingabeka impilo yabantu engcupheni uma bephuza amanzi esedlule entweni ewubungozi okungabe iphoswe phakathi ethangini,"kusho uMeya waseMhlathuze uKhansela Mduduzi Mhlongo.

## City of uMhlathuze bids farewell to the Municipal Manager

The City of uMhlathuze bids farewell to the Municipal Manager: Dr Nhlanhla Sibeko, who will relinquish his responsibilities at the end of the month.

The full-time career of Dr Sibeko in the City began in 2009 where he was appointed Senior Manager: Community Services before being moved to being an Acting Municipal Manager in the beginning of 2011 and later that year he ascended to the MM position which he has served in for eight (8) years.

Dr Sibeko is leaving the City of uMhlathuze after serving for ten years and has led the municipality to achieve a number of accolades of excellent service delivery during his tenure.

"Dr Sibeko has served the City of uMhlathuze with diligence, respect and gave citizens value for money. On behalf of the Council, we wish him all the best in his future endeavours and we have a firm belief that he will make a huge difference wherever he goes, "says City Mayor Cllr Mduduzi Mhlongo.

"We have drawn a lot of inspiration and expertise from his local government experiences and learnt a lot that will aid the Council to continue to grow in leaps and bounds. His records in the City of uMhlathuze speaks volumes. We thank him and his family for dedicating time to the Council and for his contribution to the citizens and the nation at large. We have worked well with him at the helm of the administrative wing of the City and he enjoyed the support of Councillors and all leaders he has served under," Mhlongo continues.

Dr Sibeko
Former MM uMhlathuze Municipality

Dr Sibeko has led the City of uMhlathuze to achieve outstanding turn around tactics in which the City obtained clean audit opinions from the Auditor General for five consecutive years, which is remarkable. He leaves the City in good financial health with effective systems that enable faster and quality service delivery.

Under his administration, the City has grown to obtain a countless number of service delivery accolades and it is now ranked at number seven Secondary Cities in the country. It is also under his administration where we saw the City of uMhlathuze shooting to being the second largest GDP contributor in KwaZulu-Natal.

# City of uMhlathuze Food Bank launched to assist COVID-19 victims and beyond

**To date, the Food Bank has distributed to more than 20 000 people in all 34 wards. This is 100 per ward and to vulnerable groups establishments such as elderly homes, etc. Each food parcel can feed a family of more than 5 members. Companies and conglomerates such as Tronox, Mondi, South 32, Red Cross, Richards Bay Minerals and many other have contributed thus far.**

His Excellency Cyril Ramaphosa declared a national state of disaster due to the novel Coronavirus which erupted in 2019.

Pursuant to this declaration a national lockdown was affected initially from 26 March 2020 and later extended to 30 April 2020. As a consequence, of which South Africans of all walks of life find themselves facing harsh reality of life under strict restrictions.

It is important to remind the communities that the lockdown was declared by the President in an effort to put under control the spread of the Coronavirus that threatens the very existence of human life globally.

Consequently, the regulations under which the lockdown was declared has brought about enormous challenges to an already struggling economy, and this has resulted in an even more severe impact to those who already live below the poverty line.

Recognising the above, the President has called on all of us to build a new social contract.

A partnership for development and economic prosperity and most importantly one that at its foundation is the basic value system of Ubuntu.

Furthermore, we welcome and recognise the addresses made by the President on Covid-19 and all efforts by our government. We further welcome the Risk Adjustments made by the President; it shows that it was well considered and will allow for gradual return to normal activity.

This will be achieved if we work together as government and social partners to realise the plans put in place for the ultimate defeat of the Coronavirus.

Allow me to introduce to you our small contribution towards the achievement of the abovementioned efforts by government and pushing back the devastating effect of poverty, hunger and malnutrition ***"the uMhlathuze Food Bank."***

This is an initiative that is aimed at mitigating the negative impact that the Covid-19 has dealt our communities, in particular the vulnerable groups.

It is designed such that it consolidates all endeavors made by all the relevant sector departments but over and above that calls upon our social and strategic partners to come board.

The simple proposition is this; we invite all South Africans who can make contributions to do so. It does not matter how big or small, we welcome them all.

We further request that these be in the form of non-perishable food items only.

The Food Bank will not be accepting any monetary donations; instead we will provide details of the food staples which we would request communities to donate in our website: **www.umhlathuze.gov.za/FOOD BANK** & email to **donations@umhlathuze.gov.za**.

Working together with the Department of Social Development, The South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) and King Cetshwayo District Municipality, the uMhlathuze Food Bank will target the most affected and the poorest of the poor: The Indigent • Child Headed Households • The elderly • The Unemployed • Grant Receiving • Women & Children and those who are unable to go out and get essential needs for themselves.

Our sole preoccupation through the establishment of this Food Bank is to ensure that the citizens of uMhlathuze are given a fighting chance to survive this lockdown and are able to abide by the regulations imposed upon them. We would like to take this opportunity to reassure the people of uMhlathuze that this process will be as transparent as possible, free of corruption, nepotism, maladministration and will target the most deserving.

This will be done through a rigorous screening process that is in line with methods prescribed by COGTA, SASSA and DSD through their food distribution processes.

We will be keeping a strict register of goods received and a list of beneficiaries signed by them as confirmation of receipt.

In line with the regulations, all activities undertaken by council during lockdown will be reported to council once lifted.

The City of uMhlathuze calls upon the private sector and private individuals to donate to the Food Bank so that this initiative achieves an unprecedented reach across the City and touches the lives of those who do not even think they would be reached.

Therefore, as a sign of our good faith and commitment to this noble initiative, we have taken the decision to procure as a baseline 2000 food packs, which will be distributed to all wards.

The method of distribution, will be communicated to those who qualify as beneficiaries to avoid security hazards as experienced elsewhere in the country.

Going forward, we wish to request small scale farmers within our jurisdiction to register themselves on our platforms.

As part of kick-starting the local economy, the municipality is looking to procure certain fresh produce from them which will be included in the pack.

Lastly, we urge our communities to work with us by being responsible citizens and think for those who are truly struggling and put them first.

It is through selflessness that we can build a truly united and prosperous society and if we unite through this time of need, we stand a chance to be a shining example for the entire country to see and emulate.

This launch today is the start of something great and meaningful. We need to roll up our sleeves and pull together to work for the people of the City of uMhlathuze through their hour of need.

We hope this Food Bank can be as impactful as we anticipate it to be. As Amilcar Cabral emphasised, "**Always bear in mind that the people are not fighting for ideas, for the things in anyone's head. They are fighting to win material benefits, to live better and in peace, to see their lives go forward, to guarantee the future of their children.**"

In conclusion, it would be remiss of me if I do not on behalf of the people of uMhlathuze and Council thank the astute leadership which has been displayed by the South African Government and working together, we can successfully fight the COVID-19 pandemic.

As President Cyril Ramaphosa stated that; "This epidemic will pass. But it is up to us to determine how long it will last.''

Let us practice social distancing, stay at home, rinse our hands regularly and sanitise.

Thank You!

# Multi-million rand projects handed over to Ntambanana Community

The City of uMhlathuze officially handed over community projects worth more than R10 million at Bhucanana in Ward 33, Ntambanana.

Ntambanana community members, izinduna, representative from iNkosi Biyela Tribal Authority, braved heavy rain to witness and receive projects that were developed to better their lives by the City of uMhlathuze.

Speaker Councillor Slondile Mkhize handed over the Material Recovery Facility, which is also a Waste Transfer Station in Bhucanana. This facility is a centre for all solid waste collected from households in the ward and deposited in one area so that it can be transferred to eMpangeni Landfill site in bulk. It also serves as a place where members of the community and or organisations can sort reusable waste such as cans, bottles, plastic material and papers for recycling purposes.

Mkhize also went on to officially open the Community Park, which the community can use for weddings, recreational purposes, etc. The park consists of an amphitheatre set-up, playing facilities for children, braai stands, lounging concrete seats and it is fenced for security reasons.

Mkhize also met with more than 400 community members in Mancence Community Hall to hand over this state-of-the-art facility. The hall was a response to the outcry of the Mancence community in the erstwhile Ntambanana Municipality. The hall can be utilised for community services such as weddings, funerals, meetings and other activities that may even economically benefit members of the community.

"We are handing over these projects to you and we are expecting you as members of the community to take care of them because they belong to you. We are also encouraging young and women to seize the economic benefit brought about by the Material Recovery Facility to turn waste into money. For now, only two women are recovering some material and selling it to buy back centres and are now surviving through that money. The community park as well as the hall also requires that we add some innovations in the near future such as WIFI connectivity so that whilst people enjoy the park, they also use it for their own benefit, more especially young people," said Mkhize.

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# Amakhansela azidele amathambo asiza umphakathi ukufundisa nge-COVID-19

UKUHLASELA ngamawala kwegciwane i-Coronavirus eNingizimu Afrika kuphoqe ukuba kusukume bonke abaholi bomphakathi bahlabe ikhwelo lemiyalezo efundisa ngezindlela zokunqanda ukubhebhetheka kwaso.

AmaKhansela aseMhlathuze aphume nxazonke agcwala izinkalo ephethe amapheshana anolwazi nge-Corona olubhalwe ngolimi lwesiNgisi nolwesiZulu. AmaKhansela abephinde afundise umphakathi ngezindlela zenhlanzeko nangokusebenzisa ama-sanitiser okuyindlela engcono yokugcina izandla zihlanzekile uma engekho amanzi okuzigeza eduzane. Lolu hlelo beluholwa phambili wuSomlomo woMkhandlu uKhansela Slondile Mkhize kanye nePhini leMeya uKhansela Dudu Sibiya. Okunye obekufundiswa wuhlelo okumele lube yisiko elisha kubantu lokuqhelelana oludume nge-Social Distancing.

"Inkinga enkulu idaleke ngesikhathi sokuholwa kwezimpesheni kwazise kuvulwe leso sikhathi sekunqunyiwe ukuthi izwe liyavalwa. Abantu bathutheleke ngobuningi ezindaweni zokuholela impesheni nokwenze imiyalezo yokuqhelelana nokushiyelana izikhala kolayini yagcina ifuna ukufekela. Yilaphoke sithunywe khona ukuba siyolekelela ukufundisa abantu bakithi ngalesi sifo,"kusho uMkhize.

Likhulu ithemba lokuthi leli siko elisha lizojwayeleka. "Abantu bakithi kumele bazijwayeze ukwenza izinto ezintsha manje njengokuqhelelana kolayini. Nasezitolo sekumiwa ulayini ngaphandle ukulawula isibalo sabantu abangaphakathi esitolo. Lokhu kwenza abantu baphakanyelwe yimimoya kodwa kancane kancane bazofunda ukuhlela izinto ngenye indlela futhi kusenesikhathi ngoba kubukeka kuyiyona mpilo entsha esesizoyiphila lena,"kuchaza uSibiya.

**AmaKhansela aseMhlathuze abephume izinkalo ephethe amapheshana anolwazi nge-coronavirus olubhalwe ngolimi lwesiNgisi nolwesiZulu. Amakhansela bephinde afundise umphakathi ngezindlela zenhlanzeko nangokusebenzisa ama-sanitiser.**

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# ISABELO-MALI ESIHLONGOZWAYO 2020/2021

## SIZAMA NGOKUSEMANDLENI UKUFUQA INTUTHUKO NGAPHANSI KWEZIMO EZINZIMA ZOBHUBHANE LWE-CORONA

Kusezimweni ezinzima njengalezi ke lapho kumele ke sijule ngemicabango sibukisise kahle izimo esibhekene nazo njengesizwe ukuze sicabe kahle indlela emazombezombe esisazoyihamba.

Impokophelo yethu yezombusazwe nezinqumo esizithathayo kumele ziqikelele ukuthi zenza izwe kanye nendawo yethu iphinde iphephe ngokuthi sikwazi ukunqoba ubhubhane loKhuvethe oluhlalise kanzima wonke umuntu.

Sidinga ukunakekelana ngalesi sikhathi, sidinga ukubumbana njengezwe ukunqoba lesi sifo ngokuthi senze lokho esiyalelwa ukuba sikwenze.

Njengezakhamizi zaseMhlathuze, sidinga ukubamba elethu iqhaza ngokuqiniseka ukuthi silandela yonke imigomo esiyibekelwa wuhulumeni kazwelonke nokuqiniseka ukuthi sihlonipha yonke imithetho ngokuthi sihlale emakhaya ukunqanda ukutheleleka nokubhebhetheka koKhuvethe.

Ingqalabutho yombhali ozalwa eGermany u-Eckhart Tolle encwadini yakhe esihloko sithi, A New Earth-Awakening to your life's purpose, uthi: "Uma ubhekene nomqansa nezivuvaba, indlela endala yokuphila emhlabeni, indlela yokuxhumana nabanye abantu, nenqubo yemvelo isishabalele, uma ukuphila kwabantu sekubhekene nezingqinamba ezinganqandeki, lapho umuntu kumbe izilwane sekubhekene nokufa kumbe ukushintsha ukwenza ukhohlwe yikho konke okujwayelekile kepha uhambisane nokusha okusuke sekufikile kukuphoqa ukuba uhambisane nakho."

Umengameli wezwe uMhlonishwa u-Cyril Ramaphosa, ukhulume nesizwe ngomhlaka-15 March 2020, eshaya umgomo kathaqa ezweni ngokulawulwa wuMthetho weZimo eziBucayi, uyalele isizwe ukuba sivule amehlo ngobhubhane olukhungethe izwe i-COVIC-19.

Sizemukele izimemezelo zikaMengameli zokushaya umgomo kathaqa ezweni njengengxenye ebalulekile yokunqanda ukubhebhetheka kwegciwane uKhuvethe ezweni. Siyazi kuyezwela kakhulu kodwa yinqubo lena ehlolwe ngochwepheshe bethu kanye nabomhlaba wonke yabhabhadiswa nayinhlangano yomhlaba yezempilo i-World Health Organisation (WHO).

Lisanda kufika leli gciwane kwakungukuthi kubhekwa kakhulu abantu abake bahambela kwamanye amazwe kakhulu kodwa ngokushesha izinto zishintshile njengoba selisabalala nakulabo abangakaze baye kwamanye amazwe muva nje, kodwa selisabalala kuwona wonke umuntu oke wasondelana nonalo.

uSodolobha waseMhlathuze uKhansela MG Mhlongo

Isizwe ke sesikwazile ukubekezela kunzima saze sehliselwa esigabeni sesi-4 samazinga alesi sifo ezweni lonke, lapho kuxegiswe khona kancane imigomo kwavulelwa nengxenye encane yabasebenzi namabhizinisi ukuba avule.

Siyanxuswa ukuba sithobele imigomo yawo wonke amazinga ukuze lingabhebhetheki leli gciwane. Ukuthobela kwethu imithetho kuzokwenza ukuthi isizwe sisheshe singene emazingeni aphansi okuxegiswa kwemigomo kathaqa ngokushesha kuvulwe nezindawo zokusebenza kanye namabhizinisi. Ukungathobeli kwethu le migomo kungasibuyisela ezingeni -5 okungu thaqa wayo yonke into.

Ithimba lethu labaphathi bakamasipala limatasa nokubheka zonke izinto ezingaba yingcuphe engabeka abasebenzi namalungu omphakathi uma kuvulwa amahhovisi ngokokulawula kwemigomo yesigaba-4. Lokhu kuhlanganisa ukukhuculula nokuhlanza amahhovisi kamasipala afuthwe ngezibulali magciwane, amadepho asezindaweni ezehlukene, nokunye okuningi.

Uma sesihlole kahle ukuthi konke okudinga ukuthi sikwenze sekwenzeke kahle, seneliseka wukuthi siyahambisana nayo yonke imigomo yesigaba ngasinye, siyobe sesiqala ukuvula amahhovisi akwamasipala ngokwehlukana kokubaluleka kwawo.

Yize sisebenza kanzima kulezi zimo, umasipala wethu uzama ngakho konke okusemandleni ukuphakela umphakathi izidingo ngendlela egculisayo zikhathi zonke. Siyaqhubeka nokugxilisa ithemba kubantu bakithi nokubakhuthaza ukuba babambisane nathi kulomshikashika esibhekene nawo.

Silokhu siqhubekile nokunikeza abantu amanzi, ugesi, ukuqoqwa kukadoti nokunye okuningi lapho esikwazi ukufinyelela khona nsuku zonke. Siyabonga nakulawo malungu omphakathi namakhasimende ethu asishayela ucingo abike lapho ebona khona konakele bese sithumela abasebenzi bethu ukuba bayolungisa ngokushesha.

Kumele sizilungiselele inqubo entsha yokwenza izinto, indlela ezoshintsha izinto nezindlela esisebenza ngazo kwamasipala ukuphakela umphakathi izidingo nendlela esixhumana ngayo nomphakathi. Imigomo isiphoqa wonke umuntu ukuba afake isimfonyo esimboza amakhala nomlomo zikhathi zonke uma ephakathi kwabantu, lokhu sekuphoqa nawo wonke umuntu ozovakashela amahhovisi kamasipala.

Wonke umuntu ozovakashela emahhovisi omkhandlu uzophinde ahlanzwe izandla nge-Sanithayiza bese kuphinde kubekwa nemigoqo nezimpawu ehlukanisa ibanga phakathi kwabantu, kulezi zindawo zethu eziba nolayini babantu abazodinga usizo emahhovisi ethu.

Sikhuthaza umphakathi namakhasimende ethu ukuba ajwayele manje izindlela ezintsha zobuchwepheshe zokukhokhela izinsiza zikamasipala nokuthenga ugesi wekhadi. Sibala lapho phakathi kokunye, ukuthola incwadi ehlonza ukuthi uyisakhamuzi sakuyiphi iwadi, ezijwayele ukutholakala emaKhanseleni, nokunye okuningi. Okuningi ungakwazi ukukuthola ngokushayela inombolo yazikhathi zonke zikamasipala ubuze usizakale ngokushesha ngale kokuthi uze uzizele mathupha emahhovisi.

Sethula lesi sabelo-mali ngaphansi kwesimo somnotho okwembulwa kwembeswa kusona futhi akukacaci ukuthi singase siphaphame nini. Yize kanjalo, sikwazile ukubeka abantu phambili sakwazi ukucabangela amaphakethe abo sikuqonda ukuthi nabo babhekene nesimo esinzima esikhungethe umhlaba wonke. Ngakolunye uhlangothi, sibhekene nendlela okumele icatshangisiswe kahle yokuthi siyitholaphi imali yokuphakela abantu izidingongqangi.

Umengameli uRamaphosa wathi, "Ngelinye ilanga igciwane iKhorona iyodlula ibe wumlando, kodwa kukithina ukuthi sifuna yedlule nini."

**UKUNYUKA KWEZIBIZO 2020/21**

| Services | 2020/21 |
|---|---|
| Assessment Rates | Ngenxa yokubuyekezwa komqulu wezezindlu nokunyuka kwazo kunciphisiwe ukunyuka kwezibizo zezindlu |
| Water | 6.00% |
| Electricity | 6.07% |
| Sanitation | 6.00% |
| Refuse Removal | 6.00% |

**Hlala ekhaya,**
**Hlala uphilile,**
**Hlala uphephile,**
**Hlala uqaphile,**
**Hlala unolwazi!**

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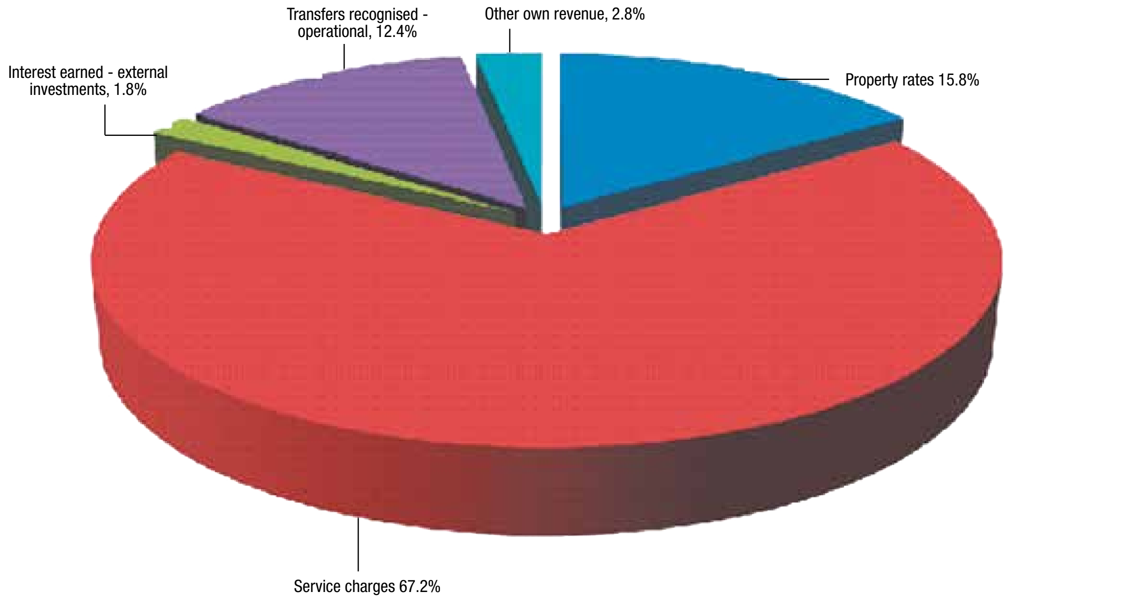
## UKUBHEKA NGAMAFUPHI UHLAKA LOHLELO LWEMALI ENGENAYO KANYE NESETSHENZISWAYO (MTREF) YEDOLOBHA

| Description | 2020/21 Medium Term Revenue & Expenditure Framework | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | BUDGET YEAR 2020/2021 | BUDGET YEAR 2021/2022 | BUDGET YEAR 2022/2023 |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 |
| Total Operating Revenue | 3 430 794 | 3 636 785 | 3 877 900 |
| Total Operating Expenditure | 3 485 274 | 3 673 862 | 3 852 144 |
| **Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year** | **(54 480)** | **(37 077)** | **25 756** |
| Total Capital Expenditure | 671 834 | 593 789 | 654 376 |
| **Total Operating & Capital Budget** | **4 157 108** | **4 267 650** | **4 506 520** |

## OPERATING REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 BY SOURCE

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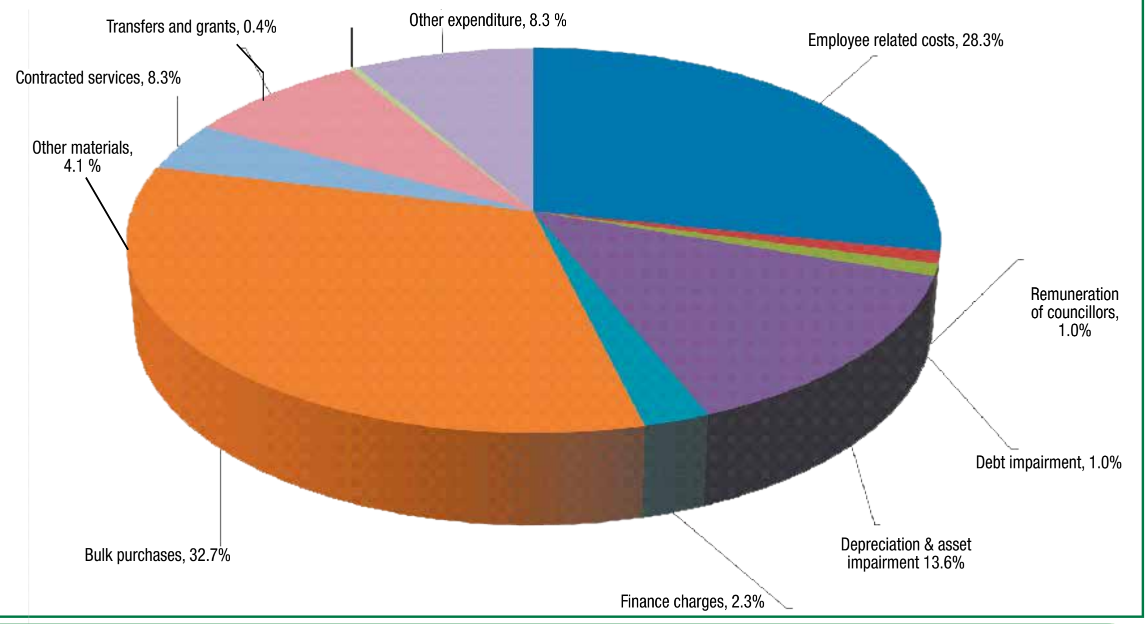
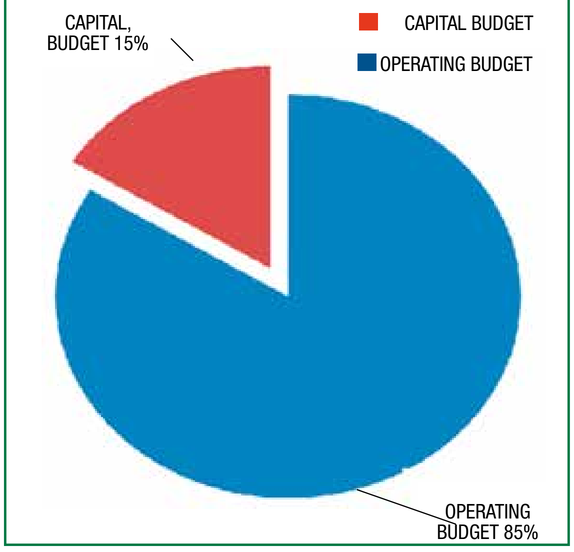



## CITY'S TOTAL BUDGET 2020/21




## IMIBUZO NEZIMPENDULO NGOKUQOQWA KWEZIMALI

**Imuphi umgomo uhlahlomali olwenziwe ngaphansi kwawo?**
Uhlahlomali lukaMaspala lwenziwe ngesigaba sesine somgomo wokuphathwa kwezimali (chapter 4 of the MFMA no. 56 of 2003)

**Liwumalini inani lesabelo mali esihlongozwayo sika 2020/21?**
Isabelomali esihlongozwayo siwu R4,2 wezigidi gidi esenziwe wu R3,5 wezigidi gidi wemisebenzi yansukuzonke kanye no R672 wezigidi wemisebenzi emikhulu.

**Uhlahlo mali lwenziwe ngamuphi umqondo ukuze lufeze izidingo zomphakathi?**
Uhlahlomali lwenziwe ngokudidiyelwa kunye nohlu oludidiyelwe (IDP). uMasipala uzibophezela emgomweni owodwa ohlanganisa yonke imigomo yokuthuthukisa kwemiphakathi yomasipala. Uhlahlo oludidiyelwe lubuyekezwa minyaka yonke ukuze kuqinisekiswe ukuthi lusahambisana nezimfuno zomphakathi.

**Uthola kanjani imali uMasipala?**
uMasipala wenza imali ngokubiza ezemihlaba nezindlu, ukudayisa ugesi, ukudayisa amanzi, nokubiza ngokuqoqa imfucuza kanye nendle. Kubalulekile ukukhokhela izinsiza zikamasipala ukuze uzokwazi ukuletha intuthuko emphakathini. uMasipala uphinde uthole imali eziqhamuka kuHulumeni omkhulu nakuHulumeni wesifundazwe. Uphinde uboleke emabhange ubolekele imisebenzi emikhulu.

**Yini sikhokhiselwe 7kl ingabe sikhokhela 1kl?**
Uma usebenzisa amanzi angama 6kl kuyaphansi ngenyanga awukhokhi lutho kodwa uma uke weqela ku 7kl ubese ukhokhela wonke amanzi owasebenzisile.

**Ngabe bayasithola yini isinxephezelo asebedala?**
Abahola impesheni bathola isinxephezelo kuphela ezibizweni zezindlu nezemihlaba.

**Kungani izibizo zokuvalelwa amanzi zibenkulu kangaka?**
Zonke izindleko ezitholakala ngokunciphisa kwamanzi zithwalwa umnikazi womuzi noma osebenzisa izinsiza.

**Yingani ngikhokhiselwe amanzi ngibe ngingakhile?**
Usuke ubizelwa izindleko zokuletha amanzi egcekeni lakho noma kungakhiwe. Lesi isibizo esihlezi sikhona kuze kwakhiwe kuleyo ndawo.

**Ngabe ukuthenga ugesi kuma vendor kuyabiza yini kunokuthenga ugesi kamaspala?**
Ukubizwa kukagesi kuyafana kuzozonke izindawo, kumele ukuqonde ukuthi ugesi ubizwa ngezigaba ezahlukene, uma usebenzisa omncane ubizwa kancane, kanjalo noma usebenzisa omningi ubizwa kaningi.

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# ISABELO-MALI ESIHLONGOZWAYO 2020/2021

## Ukubheka kafuphi imigomo yesabelomali kanye nezichibiyelo

Ngokulawula komthetho wokuphathwa kwezimali komasipala (MFMA), uMasipala kumele ube nemigomo ehambisana nesabelomali sonyaka.

### 1 Umgomo obhekelela abahlwempu Usizo kwabahlwempu

Izinto ezibalulekile eziqukethwe umgomo wokusiza abahluphekayo zingafingqwa kanjena:

**Indlela-jikelele**

➪ Ngokomgomo we Property Rates Act uR15 000 wokuqala kwinani lendawo uyaphulwa ekubalweni kwentela yendawo.

➪ Ngaphezu kwalokho, inani elilinganiselwa ku R115 000 liyaphulwa okugcina kwenze inani lesaphulelo libe ngu R130 000 eliphulwayo ekubalweni kwentela yendawo uma inani lendawo lingu R400 000 nangaphansi.

➪ Abanye abahlwempu abangangeni kulendlela basizakala kwindlela yabahlwempu eqondile

**Indlela eqondile**

➪ Izikweletu zalaba abatholakala behlwempu ziyasulwa. Labo babe sebethola izidingo-ngqangi zamahhala (6kl wamanzi no 50kwh kagesi)

➪ Uma inani lendawo lingaphansi kuka R130 000 bathola ukuthuthwa kwemfucuza kanye nendle mahhala

➪ Uma inani lendawo liphakathi kukaR130 001 no R170 000 bathola isaphulelo sika 25% ekuthuthweni kwemfucuza kanye nendle.

➪ U 200 wamalitha ngosuku noma 6kl ngenyanga utholakala mahhala kuwowonke osebenzisa amalitha awu 200 noma ngaphansi ngosuku.

➪ Uma usebenzisa ngaphezulu kuka 200 wamalitha ngosuku okanye ngaphezu kuka 6kl ngenyanga ukhokhela wonke amanzi owasebenzisile ngenani elinesaphulelo.

### 2 Ukulekelela abahluphekayo

Ngaphezu kohlelo lwabahlwempu kuphinde kubonelelwe leyomizi enezimo ezinzima kwezenhlalo.
Loluhlelo lubhaliswa yithimba eliyisipesheli sabasebenzi bakaMasipala.

### 3 uMgomo wezintela zezindawo

**3.1 Ukubuyekezwa konyaka womgomo wezimali:**

1) Umkhandlu kamasipala kumele ubuyekeze njalo ngonyaka, futhi uma kunesidingo uchibiyele umgomo wawo wezimali zentela yomhlaba. Zonke izichibiyelo zalomgomo kumele ziphelezelwe yisabelozimali sikamasipala sonyaka, uma sesihlahlelwa emkhandlwini ngokwesigaba 16(2) soMthetho wokuphathwa kwezimali koMasipala.

(2) Isigaba 3(3) kuya ku(6), sifundeka nezinguquko ezingenziwa ngokulawula kwendikimba, sisebenza kunoma isiphi isichibiyelo somgomo wentela yomhlaba. Ukuzimbandakanya komphakathi ezichibiyelweni zomgomo wentela yomhlaba kumele kwenziwe ngenqubo yesabelozimali sonyaka sikamasipala ngokwesigaba 22 no 23 somthetho wokuphathwa kwezimali (MFMA).

**Lezinguquko ezilandelayo sezihlongozelwe unyaka wezimali ka-2020/21:**

Uma abakhokhi bentela befaka izicelo zezaphulelo bazonikezwa lezi zaphulelo ngokuhambisana nemibandela yomgomo wezentela:

➪ Izindawo zezolimo – 5%

➪ Izindawo ezisebenza ngaphandle kwenzuzo (NPOs) – 20%

➪ Abahola impesheni – R200 000

Imininingwane yalenqubo-mgomo iyatholaka kwiwebsite yoMkhandlu www.umhlathuze.gov.za

Amaqoqo ezakhiwo ezikhokhiswayo kulindeleke ukuba zinyuke ngamaphesenti ayi 6,5% ngonyakazimali ka 2020/21 kuqala ngomhlaka 01 July 2020. Lezinyuko ziqoshelwe ngezansi kanje:

| CATEGORY | PROPOSED TARIFFS (from 1 July 2020) c | RATIO TO RESIDENTIAL TARIFFS |
|---|---|---|
| Residential properties | 0.0093 | 1:1 |
| Business / Commercial | 0.0196 | 1:2.10 |
| Industrial | 0.0205 | 1:2.20 |
| Agricultural Properties | 0.0023 | 1:0.25 |
| Public Service Purposes (State Owned) | 0.0103 | 1:1.10 |
| Public Service Infrastructure | 0.0023 | 1:0.25 |
| Public Benefit Organisation Properties | 0.0023 | 1:0.25 |
| Mining Properties | 0.0214 | 1:2.30 |
| Vacant Land | 0.0196 | 1:2.10 |

**3.2 Inqubo-mgomo wokulawula izikweletu**

Umkhandlu waseMhlathuze usebenzisa inqubo-mgomo yokulawula izikweletu ephasisiwe. Lenqubo-mgomo nezinyathelo ezithathwayo kuletha izithelo ezinhle nakuba isimo somnotho simanzonzo.

**3.3 Inqubo-mgomo yezibizo**

Inqubo-mgomo yezibizo kaMasipala iveza uhlaka oluvulelekile ukuze umkhandlu ukwazi ukubona izinkokhelo ezinofefe, ezisobala kanye nezingakwazi ukukhokheka futhi zibe ziqinisekisa ukuthunyelwa kwezinsiza.

Uhlaka lwezibizo lohlahlomali lwemali engenayo nesetshenziswayo (MTREF) luyatholakala kuwo onke amahhovisi nemitapo yolwazi kaMasipala waseMhlathuze kanye nakwi website www.umhlathuze.gov.za

**Izibizo zonyakamali ka-2019/20 zenyuke ngalamaphesenti alandelayo:**

**Proposed Tariff Increases for the 2020/21 MTREF**

| SERVICE | PROPOSED % INCREASE |
|---|---|
| PROPERTY RATES CHANGES | Due to the General Valuation Roll property values increase therefore tariffs were decreased to ensure that basket of services remains affordable. |
| Residential | |
| Business & Commercial | |
| Industrial | |
| Mining | |
| Agricultural, Public Services Infrastructure and Public Benefit organisations | |
| Public Service Purposes (State Owned) | |
| All Vacant Land Properties | |

The Draft Tariff of Charges for 2020/21 MTREF is available for inspection at all municipal offices and libraries within the City of uMhlathuze as well as the website: www.umhlathuze.gov.za

**Ukwenyuka kwezibizo okuhlongozwayo ku 2020/21**

| SERVICE | PROPOSED % INCREASE |
|---|---|
| **PROPERTY RATES CHANGES** | |
| | |
| Waste Management Residential Consumers | 6.00% |
| Waste Management Business & Other Consumers | 6.00% |
| Sanitation Residential Consumers | 6.00% |
| Sanitation Business & Other | 6.00% |
| **WATER:** | |
| Water: Purified Domestic | 6.00% |
| Water: Purified Business & Other Consumers first four scales | 6.00% |
| Water: Purified Business & Other Consumers Top Scales | 6.00% |
| Water: Clarified | 6.00% |
| General | 6.00% |
| | |
| **ELECTRICITY:** | |
| Environmental Levy | 0.00% |
| Electrification & Rural Subsidy | 6.90% |
| Administration Charges | 6.90% |
| Service Charges | 6.00% |
| **Electrification Energy Tariffs** | |
| Domestic Prepaid (Sliding scale) | 4.41%-4.87% |
| **Electrification ENERGY Tariffs** | |
| Comflex Prepaid | 6.37% |
| Comflex Conventional (Excluding monthly Service Charge) | 6.43% |
| Demflex Energy 11kV | 4.99% |
| Enerflex Energy 400V (kWh) | 5.89% |
| Enerflex Demand 400V | 6.91% |
| Enerflex Energy 11kV (kWh) | 5.82% |
| Enerflex Demand 11kV | 6.91% |
| Enerflex Energy 132kV (kWh) | 5.67% |
| Energy Demand 132kV | 6.90% |

**DRAFT2020/2021 TARIFFS (EXCL.VAT)**

| DOMESTIC USER - SERVICE | TARIFF |
|---|---|
| **WATER** 0-6 per month | 0 |
| 0-6.01 kl per month for consumption above 6000l per month | 6.7550 |
| 6.01 -15 kl per month | 8.1060 |
| 15 - 30 kl per month | 18.9756 |
| 30 - 60 kl per month | 25.1456 |
| above 60 kl per month | 32.7978 |
| **REFUSE** | |
| Property valuation 0-130 000 | 0 |
| Property valuation 130 001-170 000 | 115.12 |
| Property valuation 170 001 - 400 000 | 153.49 |
| Property valuation 400 001- 600 000 | 155.54 |
| Property valuation 600 001 - 800 000 | 157.61 |
| Property valuation 800 001 - 1 000 000 | 158.31 |
| Property valuation 1 000 001 - 1 500 000 | 159.00 |
| Property valuation 1 500 001 and above | 161.08 |
| **SEWERAGE** | |
| Deleveloped residential land per kl | 9.83 |
| **ELECTRICITY - INCLINING BLOCK TARIFF (IBT)** | |
| Residential IBT - Block 1 (0-50) | 1.0388 |
| Residential IBT - Block 2 (51-350) | 1.3215 |
| Residential IBT - Block 3 (351-600) | 1.8629 |
| Residential IBT - Block 4 (601-1500) | 1.9462 |
| Residential IBT - Block 5 (>1501) | 2.2145 |

The above electricity tariffs include Local Government Levy, Voltage surcharge and Environmental Levy.

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## ISABELOMALI SEMISEBENZI EMIKHULU

**Yini isabelomali semisebenzi emikhulu?**

Isabelomali semisebenzi emikhulu siveza ukwakhiwa kwengqalasizinda entsha noma ukuthuthukiswa kwengqalasizinda ekhona ukuze kwenatshiswe izinsiza ezindaweni ezintsha kube kuqhutshekwa ukulethwa kwezidingo ezindaweni zonke zeDolobha lethu.
Isamba sesabelomali semisebenzi emikhulu esiyi R671,2 wezigidi sivele kulemithombo elandelayo:

| IMISEBENZI EMIKHULU EBALULEKILE 2020/2021 | R |
|---|---|
| CONSTRUCTION PLANS FOR EMPANGENI BUSINESS HUB CONCEPT | 2 863 000 |
| DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF SMME RETAIL PARKS (ESIKHALENI) - PHASE 1 | 3 048 000 |
| 132/11KV SUBSTATION REFURBISHMENT: POLARIS, CYCGNUS, SCORPIO, CAPELLA | 6 000 000 |
| MV ELECTRICAL NETWORK REFURBISHMENT | 4 476 900 |
| REPLACEMENT OF NON-ENERGY EFFICIENT ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (EEDS) | 5 000 000 |
| ELECTRIFICATION - AQUADENE DEVELOPMENT | 6 428 700 |
| ELECTRIFICATION OF EMPANGENI MEGA HOUSE PROJECT PHASE 1 | 48 322 200 |
| INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHTING IN VARIOUS AREAS | 1 186 000 |
| HIGH MAST LIGHTING INSTALLATION (TRADITIONAL AREAS) | 6 000 000 |
| DETAIL DESIGNS OF ALKANTSTRAND STAIRCASE | 1 600 000 |
| REFUSE TRUCKS | 8 000 000 |
| REPLACEMENT VEHICLES | 19 580 900 |
| ICT - NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE | 5 500 000 |
| DESIGN AND PLANS FOR WATERFRONT AREA | 3 000 000 |
| UPGRADE & NEW BULK SERVICES FOR MEGA HOUSING | 1 500 000 |
| ESIKHALENI INTERSECTION | 3 285 000 |
| COASTAL EROSION PROTECTION | 4 000 000 |
| PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES | 4 000 000 |
| UPGRADE & NEW BULK SERVICES FOR AQUADENE & DMV HOUSING | 14 000 000 |
| MZINGAZI / TUZIGAZI STEEL BRIDGE | 7 500 000 |
| ROADS RESEALING | 19 280 000 |
| AQUADENE BULK SERVICES ROADS & STORMWATER | 28 000 000 |
| DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF CENTRAL INDUSTRIAL AREA LINK ROAD | 50 000 000 |
| RURAL ROADS ENSELENI KWAKHOZA PHASE 1 | 6 360 600 |
| RURAL ROADS - SUSTAINABLE RURAL ROADS | 9 500 000 |
| RURAL ROADS -MANDLANZINI- PHASE 1B | 13 100 000 |
| KWADLANGEZA SWIMMING POOL | 27 847 000 |
| SKIPS | 2 500 000 |
| MANNDLAZINI AGRI VILLAGE SEWER | 10 000 000 |
| EMPANGENI OUTFALL SEWER | 12 500 000 |
| RURAL SANITATION - VIP | 21 945 900 |
| RURAL WATER - MKHWANAZI NORTH: ZONE B, C, U&R | 27 500 000 |
| 200 STATIC TANKS | 500 000 |
| SECUTIRY FENCE FOR WATER TREATMENT WORKS | 6 000 000 |
| VULINDLELA UPGRADE OF WATER WORKS ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE | 4 000 000 |
| NGWELEZANE MADLEBE RESERVOIR UPGRADE OF WATER WORKS ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE | 5 000 000 |
| MEERENSEE PIPE REPLACEMENT (WSIG) (PHASE 1) | 5 000 000 |
| NSELENI UPGRADE OF WATER PUMPSTATION ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE | 6 500 000 |
| PIERCE CRESCENT UPGRADE OF WATER PUMPSTATION ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE | 7 500 000 |
| VELDENVLEI PIPE REPLACEMENT (WSIG) (PHASE 1) | 10 000 000 |
| NTAMBANANA WATER RETICULATION | 146 592 900 |
| NEW WATER METERS / REPLACEMENT BULK WATER METERS | 7 000 000 |
| EMPEMBENI RESERVOIR | 2 500 000 |
| EMPEMBENI BULK AND RETICULATION | 40 000 000 |

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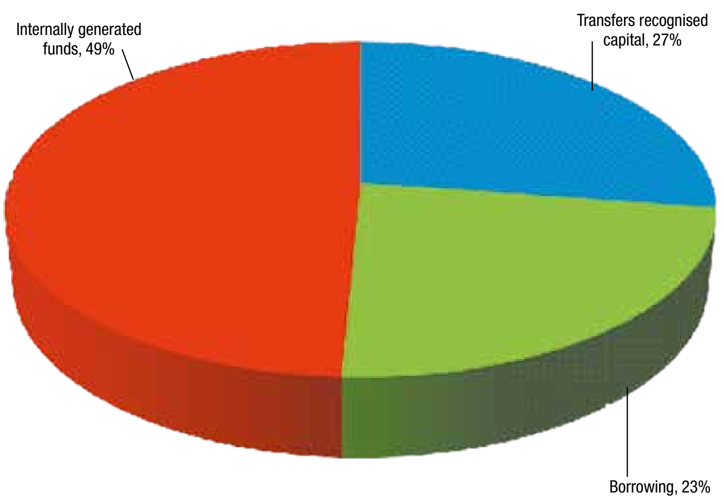
### ISABELO SEMISEBENZI EMIKHULU KAMASIPALA ESIYI R671.2 WEZIGIDI SIVELE KULEMITHOMBO ELANDELAYO:

**Capital Budget by funding source 2020/21**




### OKUSEZITHEBENI

**Average High Consumption based on the following:**
**Electricity:** 1700 kWh
**Water:** 45 kl
**Rates:** Property valued at R1 200 000

**Average Medium Consumption based on the following:**
**Electricity:** 500 kWh
**Water:** 25 kl
**Rates:** Property valued at R800 000

**Average Low Consumption based on the following:**
**Electricity:** 350 kWh
**Water:** 15 kl
**Rates:** Property valued at R500 000

**Average Indigent based on the following:**
**Electricity:** 50 kWh
**Water:** 6 kl
**Rates:** Property valued at R130 000

### ISILINGANISO SAMA-AKHAWUNTI AKUMASIPALA WASEMHLATHUZE (AWEMIZI)

| | HIGH | MEDIUM | LOW | INDIGENT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UMHLATHUZE 2020/2021 PROPOSED ACCOUNT | 5 822.09 | 2 443.96 | 1 514.60 | - |
| UMHLATHUZE 2019/2020 ACCOUNT | 5 691.79 | 2 418.77 | 1 496.52 | - |
| KWADUKUZA 2019/2020 ACCOUNT | 6 399.93 | 2 656.27 | 1 642.45 | - |
| MSUNDUZI 2019/2020 ACCOUNT | 5 767.28 | 3 026.70 | 1 161.72 | - |
| DURBAN 2019/2020 ACCOUNT | 6 612.18 | 2 643.18 | 1 509.00 | - |
| | | | | |
| **PROPERTY RATES** | **R 1 200 000** | **R 800 000** | **R 500 000** | **R 130 000** |
| **WATER** | **45kl** | **25kl** | **15kL** | **6kl** |
| **ELECTRICITY** | **1 700kWh** | **500kWh** | **350kWh** | **50kWh** |

### Compare accounts of that of other municipalities

| TOWN | RATES | ELECTRICITY | WATER | REFUSE | SEWER | VAT | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **PROPERTY RATES CHANGES** | | | | | | | |
| High | 1 200 000.00 | 1 Use as basis 1000m² improvements R1 200.000, 1700 units electricity and 45kl water | | | | | |
| Medium | 800 000.00 | 2 Use as basis 300m² improvements R800.000, 500 units electricity and 25kl water | | | | | |
| Low | 500 000.00 | 3 Use as basis 300m² improvements R500.000, 350 units electricity and 15kl water | | | | | |
| Indigent | 130 000.00 | 4 Use as basis R120 000.00, 50 units electricity and 6kl water | | | | | |
| **PROPOSED UMHLATHUZE 2020/2021** | | | | | | | |
| High value | R 918.38 | R 3 108.60 | R 799.90 | R 159.00 | R 196.60 | R 639.61 | R 5 822.09 |
| Medium value | R 608.38 | R 914.12 | R 327.84 | R 157.61 | R 196.60 | R 239.42 | R 2443.96 |
| Low | R 375.88 | R 448.39 | R 186.37 | R 155.54 | R 196.60 | R 148.53 | R 1514.60 |
| Indigent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | | | |
| **UMHLATHUZE 2019/2020** | | | | | | | |
| **High value** | R 1 017.13 | R 2 974.90 | R754.63 | R 150.00 | R 185.40 | R 609.74 | R 5 691.79 |
| Medium value | R 673.79 | R 874.00 | R309.29 | R 148.69 | R 185.40 | R 227.61 | R 2 418.77 |
| Low | R 416.29 | R 428.25 | R 178.93 | R 146.74 | R 185.40 | R 140.90 | R 1 496.52 |
| Indigent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | | | |
| **KWADUKUZA 2019/2020** | | | | | | | |
| High value | R 800.00 | R 3092.13 | R 1045.71 | R 190.43 | R 541.23 | R 730.43 | R 6 399.93 |
| Medium value | R 509.09 | R 909.45 | R 406.41 | R 190.43 | R 360.82 | R 280.07 | R 2 656.27 |
| Low | R 290.91 | R 673.75 | R 85.56 | R 190.43 | R 225.51 | R 176.29 | R 1 642.45 |
| Indigent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | | | |
| **MSUNDUZI 2019/2020** | | | | | | | |
| High value | R 1 244.25 | R 2 505.88 | R 1158.75 | R 105.43 | R 163.01 | R 589.96 | R 5 767.28 |
| Medium value | R 824.25 | R 1 002.98 | R 643.75 | R 105.43 | R 163.01 | R 287.28 | R 3 026.70 |
| Low | R 378.00 | R 161.03 | R 386.25 | R 52.72 | R 81.51 | R 102.22 | R 1 161.72 |
| Indigent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | | | |
| **DURBAN 2019/2020** | | | | | | | |
| High value | R1 074.96 | R 2 910.40 | R 1 559.40 | R 155.02 | R 190.15 | R 772.25 | R 6 612.18 |
| Medium value | R676.83 | R 856.00 | R 632.50 | R 115.72 | R 105.65 | R 256.48 | R 2 643.18 |
| Low | R378.23 | R 599.20 | R 253.00 | R 67.69 | R 63.39 | R 147.49 | R 1 509.00 |
| Indigent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | | | |
| **CAPE TOWN 2019/2020** | | | | | | | |
| High value | R 412.50 | R 2 647.62 | R 803.70 | R 132.61 | R 189.91 | R 566.08 | R 4 752.42 |
| Medium value | R 229.17 | R 1 107.50 | R 674.75 | R 132.61 | R 189.91 | R 315.72 | R 2 649.65 |
| Low | R 91.67 | R 330.90 | R 72.25 | R 132.61 | R 152.57 | R 103.25 | R 883.25 |
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| **NEWCASTLE 2019/2020** | | | | | | | |
| High value | R 1 171.18 | R 16 86.28 | R 398.26 | R 139.20 | R 224.57 | R 367.25 | R 3 986.73 |
| Medium value | R 775.84 | R 928.63 | R 335.66 | R 139.20 | R 224.57 | R 244.21 | R 2 648.10 |
| Low | R 479.34 | R 11.48 | R 335.66 | R 139.20 | R 224.57 | R 106.64 | R 1 296.89 |
| Indigent | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

# Iza namasiko amasha i-Coronavirus

ISIMO esibhekene nezwe lethu siyingqophamlando engasoze yakhohlakala nokofunda ngayo izizukulwane ngezizukulwane ezizayo emhlabeni wonke. Izinqumo esizithatha manje yizona eziyoba wumhlahlandlela walezo zizukulwane uma zibhekana nenkinga efuze lena kanti nomlando uyosibeka njengabantu nabaholi ababa ngamaqhawe ngokunqoba umbulalazwe wegciwane i-Coronavirus ngokubambisana njengesizwe.

Ukufika kwalesi sifo kufundisa isizwe sonke saseNingizimu Afrika amasiko amasha, kuvuselela imikhuba yenhlanzeko okumele ngabe siyilandela nsuku zonke, kuphinde kusembule amehlo ngokusebenza kobuchwepheshe besimanje bokwenza izinto nokuxhumana nabanye abantu noma bekuphi emhlabeni. Besisayibukela kude i-Fourth Industrial Revolution kodwa ukuvalwa thaqa kwezwe kusenza sibone ukubaluleka kobuchwepheshe nokubufunda kabuhlungu ingasekho enye indlela esingenza ngayo. Lokhu kuzodinga ukuthi iphinde ibhekwe kabusha indaba yamanani e-Data kuphinde kube nezinto ezibalulekile ezingeke zadinga i-Data uma uzidinga ukuze abantu bangacindezeleki ephaketheni. Asithi sizabalaza kanzima silwa nokubhebhetheka kwalesi sifo sibe sikubeka emqondweni ukuthi impilo izoba njani emuva kwaso ngoba nginesiqiniseko sokuthi impilo ngeke iphinde ifane nangaphambi kokuba sifike.

Kubantu abansundu, umkhuba wokuxhawulana nokwangana ushabalala ngokushesha nokuzomelele isizwe sikuqonde ukuthi akuve kuchaza ukungathandani kodwa wukuvikela ukusondelana kwabantu.

Kunezimboni ezizolahlekelwa unomphelo nokumele zishintshe ukwenza ukuze zikwazi ukuqhubeka nokusebenza zenze inzuzo. Imboni efana neyezokungcebeleka nezindawo zokudla, neyokuhlelwa kwemicimbi kumele zicabangisise ukuthi zizoqhubeka kanjani. Imboni yezemidlalo ingase ibhekisiswe kabanzi nayo ngoba ihlanganisa izinkumbi zabantu ngesikhathi esisodwa endaweni eyodwa.

Lezi zimboni zinoxhaxha lwezinye izinto ezithembele kuzona ukuze zisebenze kahle (value chain) njengamaciko, ukudla, iziphuzo, ezokuthutha, njalonjalo. Amabandla nawo azobhekana nokushintsha ukwenza. Ukwenza imisebenzi yeSintu nemigidi eyenziwa emakhaya isengcupheni yokwehliselwa isibalo ngisho nangemuva kwe-Lockdown. Imihlangano eminingi nokufunda sekuzokwenziwa ngobuchwepheshe bokuxhumana emuva kwalo mkhuhlane. Nohulumeni nezinhlaka zakhe kuzomele abuyekeze indlela yokusebenza kugunyazwe eyokuthi abanye abantu basebenzele emakhaya unomphelo. Imboni yezokuthutha ingenye yezingase zilahlekelwe kakhulu kunezinye ikakhukazi amabhasi namatekisi nakulabo abathutha abavakashi bethu.

Okusemqoka kodwa okwamanje wukuthi silibamba kanjani iqhaza ukunqanda ukubhebhetheka kwegciwane, siwubuyisela kanjani umnotho esimweni sawo, kwazise ubuvele usegunjini labagula kakhulu, senza kanjani njengohulumeni ukugwema ukulahleka kwemisebenzi nokuthi siwagxilisa kanjani lama siko amasha okuziphatha kwabantu ngoba umnyombo wokunqoba lesi sifo ulele ekutheni umphakathi ushintshe ukwenza manje nakusasa.

Indawo yethu eMhlathuze ibhekene nengwadla futhi ishayeke ngokuphindwe kaningana njengoba amadolobha ayo afana noRichards Bay anezimboni ezinkulu ezinabasebenzi ababalwa ngezinkulungwane.

Ngale kokuma kwazo ukungasebenzi nokulahlekisa indawo, isifundazwe nezwe lonke ngomnotho, abasebenzi bakulezi zimboni bashaywe ngemfe iphindiwe. Iningi labantu abasebenza kulezi zimboni bahlala emalokishini akhele uMhlathuze, nokuchaza ukuthi alikho ikhona elingathintekile yilesi sifo. Phezu kwalokho siyisizinda sokuhwebelana namanye amazwe ikakhulukazi kwezokuthutha njengoba sineChweba laseRichards Bay.

Besisajabulela ukuphumelela ukuheha izimboni zamazwe ngamazwe ukuba zizovula amathuba emisebenzi amasha endaweni yethu sizinxenxa ngokubambisana neRichards Bay IDZ noMnyango wezokuThuthukiswa Komnotho, ezokuVakasha noKongiwa kweMvelo KwaZulu-Natal, iHhovisi likaNdunankulu, kodwa sesibhekene nengcuphe yokuphunyukwa yilama thuba esiwasebenzele kanzima kangaka.

Ukubuyekezwa kwendlela yokusebenza okuzokwenziwa wuhulumeni ukubuyisa umnotho ulele ekuziphatheni komphakathi nokuthobela imithetho yezwe nemigomo eshaywe wuhulumeni okuyiyona ezonqanda futhi ilwe nokubhebhetheka kwegciwane nanoma izwe selivuliwe.

Kulobu bunzima esibhekene nabo njengezwe, kumele sibutuse ubuholi bukaMengameli wezwe

nobukaNgqongqoshe wezeMpilo ngokuhlahla indlela ebukeka ibheke ekunqobeli lolu bhubhane.

Izethulo ezenziwe wuSolwazi Salim Abdool Karim emhlanganweni abe nawo noDkt Zweli Mkhize nezinye izingcithabuchopho kwezokwelapha, zisivule amehlo zasusa inkungu kwabaningi kwaphenduleka nemibuzo ebilokhu ingenampendulo nebiyenza osomathuba bafune ukugxeka izinyathelo ezithathwe wumengameli nohulumeni wonke wakuleli. Sesiyazi ukuthi lesi sigaba sokuhlasela kwalesi sifo kusengesokuqala, lukhulu luyenza luyanyelela uma abantu bengayithobeli imigomo ye-Lockdown. Sesiyazi futhi ukuthi uma singayilandeli imigomo yokuhlaliswa emakhaya nokuba luvanzi emgwaqeni singazithola sivaleleke isikhathi eside uma kuqhutshwa uthaqa wezwe.

Kubalulekile ke ukuyithobela injengoba injalo le mithetho njengoba nohulumeni engamile ndawonye kodwa eqhubeka nokusebenza ukuze uma izwe libuyela kwelejwayelekile singazitholi sesibhebhethekisa igciwane njengoba lokhu kobe kuchaza ukuthi besidlala ngesikhathi inyanga yonke kungasetshenzwa.

Siyabanxusa abantu bakithi ukuba bashintshe ukwenza, bangabi womakholwa ngokubona njengeTomase waseBhayibhelini kepha baphume amabanga angemade uma kunesidingo esithinta impilo kuphela njengoba kubeka imigomo.

Siyabanxusa ukuba babambisane nabezokugcinwa komthetho ngokukhombisa izimvume ezifanele. Siyadinga ukubonga kubo bonke abasebenzi baseNingizimu Afrika abaphoqwa wuhlobo lwemisebenzi yabo ukuba basebenze kulesi sikhathi ukuhlenga impilo yabantu esengcupheni. Siyadinga ukubakhuthaza ngaso sonke isikhathi sibanike nezinsizakusebenza khona bangangeni engcupheni batheleleke nokungagcina kuthelela nemindeni yabo kanjalo nemiphakathi abaphila kuyona.

Abafundi ngabanye babantu abasenkingeni kakhulu kulesi sikhathi samanje nokumele bazame konke okusemandleni ukusebenzisa isikhathi sokuhlala ekhaya ukuthi bafunde ukuze ingqondo ingasaleli emuva ezifundweni. Miningi imizamo esiyenziwe wuhulumeni ukubalekelela ngakhoke abazali ababasize bakwazi ukuyisebenzisa leyo mizamo.

Sibhekene nomsebenzi onzima esigabeni sohulumeni baseMakhaya koMasipala ngoba yilapho imiphakathi iphila khona futhi uguquko lokuziphatha kwabantu kumele luqale khona ukuze kube nomehluko ekubhebhethekeni kwesifo nokuthi silwe naso size siphele.

Ngakolunye uhlangothi kumele siphakele umphakathi wakithi zonke izidingo ngqangi zempilo njengamanzi, ugesi, ukuthuthwa kwendle, ukuthuthwa kukadoti njalo-njalo.

Siyafisa ukuthi abantu bakithi babambisane nathi kulo mshikashika, bahlale behlanzekile, bageze izandla ngensipho, baqikelele ibanga phakathi kwabo, basebenzise indololwane uma beficwa wukukhwehlela kumbe ukuthimula, basebenzise konke okugunyaziwe ukuzivikela bona kanye nabantu abaseduze nabo bemukele abazobahlola izimpawu ezindlini zabo kumbe bavakashele izikhungo zezempilo ngokushesha uma benezinsolo.

SINGAYINQOBA I-CORONAVIRUS UMA SIBAMBISENE!

# City of uMhlathuze operations during & beyond COVID-19

**“ This will be our new normal during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. ”**

The City of uMhlathuze is fully operational during the COVID-19 national lockdown with all services provided remotely, telephonically and online. Where possible, arrangements are made prior for any necessary service that requires any physical meeting so as to ensure all precautionary measures are in place before such meeting or briefing takes place.

Following all government regulations, COVID-19 health protocols and to ensure safety of all employees, customers and service providers, the City remains open to assist with all services under the stipulated guidelines.

The City is working on the reconfiguration of some facilities, installing perspex screens at frontline desks, demarcation for social distancing rules, displaying awareness information and instructive signages to remind everyone to wear a mask and relay other messages relevant to employees and customers.

The state of readiness also includes the screening of staff members in line with the City of uMhlathuze COVID-19 Occupational Health and Safety Protocol.

Preparing of the reopening of offices also covers the temperature checks and ensures hygiene as well as the compulsory wearing of face masks is adhered to by all before entering City of uMhlathuze facilities and offices.

All customers, members of the public and service providers are encouraged to utilise the 24-hour toll-free line to enquire and or report on any service delivery information.

More online payment methods and channels have been extended to make things easier to pay at your convenience.

The stuff compliment in the City is considerate of the percentage regulated by the national government. Some employees are still working from home and that includes those that are classified under vulnerable groups such as heavily pregnant, aged over 60 years with chronic underlying diseases, etc.

It must be noted that some of the section of the City will be opened in the near future such as licensing as well as Rates Hall, which are permitted on Level 3.

***The City will indicate when these are operational.***

## THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE IN OPERATION ON LEVEL 3 AND BEYOND:

**CORPORATE SERVICES**

**Call-Centre:** The City of uMhlathuze 24 hours toll-free line has been operational all the time to assist with all service delivery related inquiries. This service will remain open in all COVID-19 levels and beyond.

**Proof of Residents:** Proof of residence are obtainable from Councillors and through the website, especially those who have accounts with the municipality. Visit the website: **www.e-umhlathuze.gov.za**

**Council Meetings:** All statutory council meetings such as portfolio committees, executive committee meetings and full council meetings are held virtually.

**Councillors:** All City of uMhlathuze Councillors and Ward Committees have been working since the national lockdown.

**HR Administration:** Staff at Human Resources Administration is always available to assist employees and the community in cases of death of a family member who is an employee of the City. This includes other basic Human Resources functions.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**Licensing:** This section operates with the national eNatis System owned and controlled by the Department of Transport. Municipalities are providing a third party to the department. Provincial Inspectors have visited all our sites to ensure safety.

**Customers are encouraged to keep on visiting our social media pages and media announcements to get up to date information. Our toll free line (0800 222 827) can also be useful in this regards.**

**Essential Services:** All essential services: waste management, fire and rescue services, disaster management, Traffic, Security and the Occupational Clinic have been operating on a normal schedule since the lockdown began. Collection at business sites continued, unless particular businesses, like hotels, were closed. All these services remain operational.

**Grass-cutting:** This service was closed as it was originally not deemed essential. During Level 4, it became apparent that the service was critical as the grass was growing and community members reported incidents of snakes on their premises. Following compliance to all the safety and medical protocols, this service was re-opened on 25 May 2020 and will continue.

**Maintenance of uMhlathuze Stadium:** Preparations are currently underway for maintenance of the stadium and other key facilities. This plan aligns to the Level 3 permission for professional teams to play without spectators. Facilities used for non-professional sport and recreation remain closed until further directives.

**Halls, Libraries, Thusong Centres, Beaches and Community Parks:** All these facilities remain closed in Level 3.
Restrictions will be eased as per directives from respective Ministers.

**Cemeteries:** Richards Bay and eSikhaleni cemeteries have been in operation since the lockdown. Bookings are done at offices in those cemeteries during business hours. Mourners are still restricted to 50 persons or less. Laying to rest a COVID-19 corpse is still subjected to Environmental Health protocols.

**Air Quality Monitoring:** This service was closed but will resume in Level 3.

**Landfill Site:** The regional landfill site is operated by King Cetshwayo District Municipality. The dumping site has been open since Level 5 lockdown and continues to be open. Recyclers are now permitted to function, taking into consideration all the safety precautions.

For any further enquiries relating to this notice, kindly contact Thandiwe Mathebula at: **mathebulat@umhlathuze.gov.za**

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## COMMUNICATIONS

UMhlathuze Municipality will announce through different communications platforms including official social media pages when the offices are open for public and customers to make physical inquiries. Official City of uMhlathuze social media platforms remains active for any public queries and shall work hard to respond in a reasonable period.

**TOLL-FREE: 0800 222 827**

## FINANCE SERVICES

All finance sections are operating smoothly since Level 5. Most of the services are offered online and others through third parties.

**Rates Halls:** Rates halls in Richards Bay Civic Centre, eMpangeni Civic Centre and satellite payment stations are now open to the public during Lockdown Level 3. All COVID-19 protocols are observed such as floor markers to ensure social distancing, sanitising of all customers on entry and exiting and compulsory information messages visible to all customers.

**Rates Clearance Certificates:** This service is back in operation from 25 May 2020. Estate Agencies should follow the normal process of acquiring such through their Lawyers. Inquiries can be emailed to: **creg@umhlathuze.gov.za**.

**Payment of Service Providers:** This service has been active since Level 5. Invoices, Delivery notes and other related documents can be submitted to Supply Chain Management Section (SCM).

**Quotations, Tenders and Site Briefings:** The City has been and continues with advertising services required through the City of uMhlathuze website and tenders advertised in all platforms as required by the MFMA. Tenders that require site meetings do stipulate all arrangements in the tender document and on advertisements.

**Database Registration:** Company registrations onto the database of the Municipality is still a requirement. Once the application form has been completed it must sent to our supply Chain Management Unit for attention Ms Boni Zungu, via email: ZunguBE@umhlathuze.gov.za and original document to be sent via COURIER to City of uMhlathuze Supply Chain Management Building, End of Betastraal, Alton, Richards Bay.

## PRE-PAID ELECTRICITY

Customers can purchase pre-paid electricity in any of the following listed third party outlets. Customers who may wish to purchase prepaid electricity at any municipal offices will have to wait until the offices are opened.

- Spar
- Pick 'n Pay
- Petrol stations
- OK Foods
- Shoprite
- Checkers
- Cambridge Food
- Boxer Cash and Carry
- Banking Apps
- Hollywood Bets

## MUNICIPAL BILL

- Pick `n Pay
- PEP stores
- GAME
- Makro
- Builders Warehouse
- Boxer Cash and Carry
- Cambridge Food
- Jumbo Cash and Carry
- Rhino Cash and Carry

**For any further enquiries relating to this notice, kindly contact Mxolisi Kunene at Mxolisi.kunene@umhlathuze.gov.za.**

## CITY DEVELOPMENT

### Application Administration Process

- Applicants are encouraged to submit applications via email.
- Applicants are also encouraged to make enquiries via email or telephonically.
- Consent, Relaxation of building lines and Building plans will not be processed without proof of application fee payment. Relevant officials will assist with general invoices.
- Applicants are requested to effect payments electronically quoting the correct reference number/s and submit proof of payment via email.
- Development Administration Section will advise Applicant and provide the general invoice for payment of the application fee as soon as the application is deemed complete by the Applications Committee.
- All applications to comply with the Municipal SPLUM Bylaw, Land Use Scheme, and all other relevant policy framework.
- The municipality may request Applicant/s to submit proof that the proposed development is an essential service in line with Level 3 lockdown Regulations. More importantly building plans applications.

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### DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

**Rezoning, subdivision, consolidation and removal of restrictive conditions applications:**
Thea Jordan: JordanT@umhlathuze.gov.za
Themba Mdumela: MdumelaT@umhlathuze.gov.za

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### LAND USE MANAGEMENT (DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AND BUILDING CONTROL)

**Relaxation of building lines, Consent, Building Plans, Pre-scrutiny and Aesthetic Applications:**

**Consent Applications: consent@umhlathuze.gov.za**
**Richards Bay Applications:**
Londiwe Zama: ZamaLNP@umhlathuze.gov.za
Thenjiwe Duman: DumaneTM@umhlathuze.gov.za
**eMpangeni Applications:**
Mariaan Smith: smithm@umhlathuze.gov.za

**Relaxation of building lines:**
**relaxations@umhlathuze.gov.za**
Contact Ayanda Sithole: SitholeA@umhlathuze.gov.za

**Building Plans Pre-scrutiny:**
**prescrutiny@umhlathuze.gov.za**
**Richards Bay Applications:**
Philani Khumalo: KhumaloPN@umhlathuze.gov.za
**Empangeni Applications:**
Mariaan Smith: smithm@umhlathuze.gov.za

**Building Plans Applications:**
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Mthokozisi Mhlongo: mhlongoms@umhlathuze.gov.za

**Aesthetic Applications** - Contact person:
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**Sandeep.Dwarika@umhlathuze.gov.za**
and Brian Mzimela
**Brian.Mzimela@umhlathuze.gov.za**

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Brenda Strachan: StrachanB@umhlathuze.gov.za

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**S.G DIAGRAM AND DRAFTING** Contact person:
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### QUERIES RELATING TO MZINGAZI AND MANDLAZINI VILLAGES

For queries relating to Mzingazi Village, please email:
Themba Mdumela: MdumelaT@umhlathuze.gov.za
Thea Jordan: JordanT@umhlathuze.gov.za
For queries relating to Mandlazini Village, please email: Ntobeko Hlatshwayo:
HlatshwayoNN@umhlathuze.gov.za
Brenda Strachan: StrachanB@umhlathuze.gov.za
**Applications may be dropped off and collected from the Richards Bay Civic Centre Cafeteria area.**

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### KEY CONTACT PERSONS for ALL THE BUSINESS UNITS OF THE DEPARTMENT

**Land Use Management (Development Control and Building Control):** Mthokozisi Mhlongo 035 907 5612 or email: mhlongoms@umhlathuze.gov.za

**Development Administration:**
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JordanT@umhlathuze.gov.za
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StrachanB@umhlathuze.gov.za
**Environmental Planning:**
Sharin Govender 035 907 5174
Sharin.Govender@umhlathuze.gov.za
**Human Settlements:**
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**Public Transport Liaison and Facilities:**
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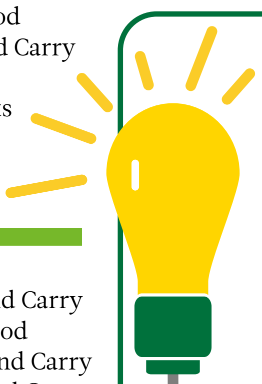
**Local Economic Development Facilitation:**
**SMME One-Stop-Shop:** Phumelele Mthethwa
MthethwaPS@umhlathuze.gov.za
**Property Administration:** Lungi Nakin 035 907 5060
ProprtyAdmin@umhlathuze.gov.za
**Valuation queries:** valuations@umhlathuze.gov.za

**For any further enquiries relating to this notice, kindly contact: Nontsundu Ndonga NdongaN@umhlathuze.gov.za**



## ELECTRICITY AND ENERGY

**Essential Service:** Electricity and energy supply is an essential service that has been in operation since the national lockdown. Community members who wish to make applications for new connections (In-fills) may call the call-centre and make arrangements. All electricity related service delivery queries and defaults are being attended to.

**For any further enquiries relating to this notice, kindly contact: Nkanyiso Khumalo KhumaloN2@umhlathuze.gov.za**

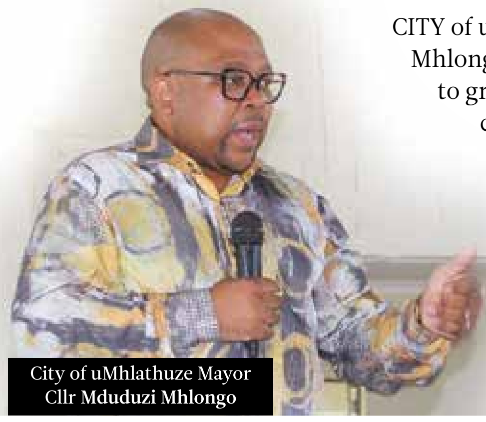
## INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

**Water & Sanitation:** This essential service has been in operation since the national lockdown. Communities that are supplied through water tankering are constantly receiving this service. All other queries can be directed to the 24-hour toll free.

**Roads Section:** Services rendered by this section will resume operations on COVID-19 National Lockdown Level 3.

**For any further enquiries relating to this notice, kindly contact: Sabelo Hlela sabelo.hlela@umhlathuze.gov.za**

# MAYORS RESPONSE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### UMHLATHUZE MAYOR RESPONDS TO NTAMBANANA COMMUNITY GRIEVANCES

CITY of uMhlathuze Mayor Cllr Mduduzi Mhlongo, has swiftly responded to grievances by Ntambanana community raised through a public protest. Mhlongo, Deputy Mayor Cllr Dudu Sibiya and the Speaker Cllr Slondile Mkhize, attended to the community protest where they received a memorandum of grievances and promised to respond to them within a week. Mhlongo honoured that promise and addressed Ntambanana community in Ward 33, and clarified all the points raised by community members.

### ON HUMAN SETTLEMENT PROCESS

Mhlongo took the community to confidence that 1500 houses will be constructed in Luwamba and technical work is underway preceded by the building of top structures, which are actual houses. "The government was adamant to continue with rural housing projects citing the fact that most people especially youth are moving towards towns. We have held several engagements with the KZN Department of Human Settlement and eventually agreed to continue with this project. The next process will be to properly constitute the Project Steering Committee, train it on procedures and regulations before it begins its work. In this process, there will be no one who will do the beneficiary lists except for the PSC working with municipal officials," Mhlongo explained.

### ON SUKUMA SAKHE HOUSES

Mhlongo explained that the process to identify beneficiaries of Operation Sukuma Sakhe (OSS) houses was done around 2015 and some only received foundation slabs with no top structure. "This has since been rectified by all stakeholders involved and the project is taking off. These are temporary structures to assist the most needy and vulnerable while they await the permanent structures on the Luwamba Housing Project. The beneficiaries were

identified by the Operation Sukuma Sakhe structures in the then Ntambanana Municipality," Mhlongo explained.

### ON P700 ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Mhlongo told the Ntambanana community members that he did interact with the KZN Department of Transport to get the update on the P700 tar road, which links uLundi and eMpangeni. "The report we got is that there are labour challenges stalling the project but the department is working on it with two traditional authorities that are involved. We will monitor the situation and intervene where we can to speed up the process," Mhlongo said. He also mentioned that there are plans to build the damaged bridge in due course. With regards to access roads, Mhlongo explained that the gravel roads were graded in December and again in January 2020, but due to severe rains, the gravel was washed away. "We have discussed this with the Roads Team and will deploy our resources again in the ward," Mhlongo explained.

### ON WATER SUPPLY

Mhlongo acknowledged the water challenges in the ward being the most rural ward and explained that since 2016 the City has installed 162 water tanks and filled by 3 water tankers on daily basis, except if weather doesn't permit. "Water reticulation projects are already underway to supply Wards 31,31 and 33. The City is has begun to build a reservoir that will source water from Mpangeni and eNseleni. On top of that, our team is investigating measures to resuscitate old water schemes that were left dysfunctional by the then Municipality.
Other responses were provided on the High Mast Light that Eskom needs to power since the area is supplied directly by Eskom. The deadline of the end of March was set aside for this to happen. Members of the community were also again given a chance to ask clarity seeking questions of which responses were furnished.

# Luchume nezwe lonke uhlelo lokuchela emarenki oluqale eMhlathuze

UHLELO lokuchela ngamakhemikhali abulala amagciwane nokuhlanza amarenke angaphansi komasipala waseMhlathuze lube wumhlahlandlela kwabanye abaningi basika iphethini kulona.

Umasipala uMhlathuze uqale lolu hlelo lokuchela emarenke usebenzisa izimoto zokucisha umlilo emuva kokubona isibalo sabantu abasebenzisa amarenke nokubonakale kuyingcuphe enkulu ekubhebhethekiseni igciwane i-Coronavirus.

Wonke amarenke kusukela kweyaseRichards Bay emumatha ososesheni abangu-16, awaseMpangeni, asezindaweni ezihlala umphakathi zonke kusukela eMeerenesee, eSikhaleni, Aqauadene, njalonjalo, zichelwa ngobuthi obuyisibulali magciwane kabili ngesonto.

Irenke nerenke ichelwa kabili ngesonto ngezikhathi zakusihlwa kungasekho muntu oyisebenzisayo, nabagibeli sebesemakhaya. Lokhu kwenze uMhlathuze waba ngundabamlonyeni esifundazweni saKwaZulu-Natali kanjalo nakwabanye omasipala ezweni ababone kuyisu elihle base becela ukuthekela ulwazi ngalolu hlelo lwagcina selukhuthazwa ukuba lulandelwe yibona bonke omasipala.

UMeya uKhansela Mduduzi Mhlongo, uthe lolu hlelo kuzomele luqhubeke kuze kube wukuthi usutholakele umnyombo wokwelapha igciwane le-Corona. "Amarenke ethu anesibalo esiphezulu sabantu abawasebenzisa nsuku zonke. Kusukela kubaphathi bemboni yezokuthutha, abashayeli, abadayisi, abanikazi bezitolo ezisemarenke, abathengi basezitolo ezakhele amarenke kanti nabagibeli okungumphakathi wakithi. Kusemqoka ukuthi sizihlanze lezi zindawo ngemithi ebulala amagciwane ukuze kungabi yizona ezibhebhethekisa igciwane. Uma umgibeli oyedwa osebenzisa ikhumbi noma ibhasi ethelelekile, kulula ukuthi athelele bonke agibele nabo. Kunzima ke nokulandelela ukuthi bekungobani abebegibele okungenzeka ukuthi bathelelekile, nokungukuthi nabo bazoqhubeka bathelele abanye kubhebhetheke isifo. Yindlela ekahle lena yokusilawula esifisa ukuyiqhuba kuze kube wukuthi kutholakala umjovo noma imithi yokuselapha,"kusho uMhlongo.

Lolu hlelo luthakaselwe kakhulu ngabemboni yezokuthutha njengoba inhlangano iSantaco ilushayele ihlombe yabonga umasipala ngokucabangela amakhasimende abo. Ngesikhathi sekuvalwa kwezwe, lolu hlelo lwelanywe wukunikezelwa kwezigubhu ezingu-20 zama-Sanitiser kwabemboni yezokuthutha ukuze bakwazi ukuphinde bahlambise abagibeli ngaphambi kokuthi bagibele ematekisini.

Emathankini angu-100 akhishwe wuhulumeni wesifundazwe nokazweonke wawanika uMhlathuze ukuze ufakele umphakathi amanzi, amanye awo afakwe emarenke ukuqinisekisa ukuthi umkhankaso wokugeza njalo izandla ufinyelela kuwona wonke umuntu.