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**Summary of Petitions
Petitions Standing Committee
External Petitions Hearing: City of Johannesburg
Thursday, 19 May 2022**

Multipurpose Centre in Poortjie, Madiba Street & East Street, Grasmere

Allocated Rapporteur	Petitions Title & Reference Number	Summary of the Complaint	Progression	Status
<p>1. MPL Schneeman G Ward 27</p>	<p>Request for Title Deed: Diepkloof Zone 2 PP35C/10/14/LO</p>	<p>The petitioner is Mrs Linah Sibeko who resides at 2752A Zone 2 Diepkloof. The petitioner alleges that she has been requesting to be issued with a title deed for the above-mentioned property without any success. She has been informed that her details are not on the system; however, she receives monthly statements from the city of Jo'burg municipality. Her house is a double/sectional stand and only the details of her neighbour reflect at the deed's office.</p>	<p>The petition was referred to the Department of COGTA & Human Settlements and the City of Jo'burg for investigation and reporting, and to the Portfolio Committee on COGTA & Human Settlements for oversight on the 23rd of October 2014.</p> <p>A follow up was done on the 25th July 2017.</p>	<p>Awaiting Report</p>
<p>2. MPL Mofama M Ward 7</p>	<p>Illegal Electricity Connections: Skills Centre-Bakgomana Primary in Diepkloof PP38C/10/14/LO</p>	<p>The petitioner is Mr Patrick Magalefa on behalf of the community of Diepkloof zone 4. The petitioner alleges that Bakgomana Primary School is no longer operational and is being used by a church that has illegally connected electricity. He further alleges that the church is using electricity illegally and it is not paying for it.</p>	<p>The petition was referred to the City of Jo'burg for investigation and reporting and to the Portfolio Committee on COGTA & Human Settlements for oversight on the 23rd of October 2014.</p> <p>A follow up was done on the 25th of July 2017.</p>	<p>Awaiting Report</p>

<p>3. MPL Diale K</p>	<p>Completed Housing Units: Orlando Women's Hostel</p> <p>PP30D/02/20/HS</p>	<p>The petitioner is Mr Shellboy Hlatshwayo, an adult male who resides at 11144D Orlando Women's Hostel, Mzimhlophe, Orlando West, Soweto, submitting this petition on behalf of the Orlando West Hostel Leadership. The petitioner alleges that a contractor was appointed in 2016 to build housing units at the Orlando Women's Hostel. He further alleges that the houses were of good quality, however, the sewerage pipes were not installed properly which resulted in spillages that are a health hazard to the community. He also alleges that they raised the issue with numerous Human Settlement MECs dating back to 2016 but the situation has not changed, and the said houses are still to be allocated.</p>	<p>The petition was referred to the Gauteng Department of CoGTA & Human Settlements for investigation and reporting and to the Portfolio Committee on CoGTA & Human Settlements for oversight on the 18th February 2020.</p>	<p>Awaiting a report</p>
<p>4. MPL Mofama M</p>	<p>Encroachment: Alexandra:</p> <p>PP10A/05/17/LO</p>	<p>The petitioner is Mrs. Mabel Buthane, an adult female who resides at 90-20 Avenue, Alexandra. The petitioner alleges that they live in Alexandra and their stands are not divided but each person knows his/her boundary. She also alleges that in 2004 her neighbour (Mrs. Mokonyane) encroached part of her standby building a garage and she immediately reported the matter to the municipality. She further alleges that the municipality demolished the garage but in 2010 the neighbour approached her sons and requested to use part of her stand to erect a carport with the intention to remove it when she goes on pension. She states that her neighbour had even prepared an agreement for her sons to sign without her consent, so the carport could be erected. Furthermore, she alleges that the carport was erected but when her neighbour went on pension, she never removed the carport but instead built a garage.</p>	<p>The petition was referred to the City of Johannesburg Metro Municipality for investigation and reporting and to the Portfolio Committee on COGTA & Human Settlements and the Department of CoGTA for oversight on the 29th of May 2017.</p>	<p>A follow up and requests for a progress report were made on the 03rd of July 2017.</p> <p>The petition was tabled at the internal hearing held on the 27th of July 2017.</p> <p>Follow up on the hearing commitment/resolution was made on the 03rd May 2018.</p>

				<p>The petition was again tabled on the 17th of August 2018 internal hearing where the CoJ reported that: <i>“The property is owned by the City of Johannesburg and therefore there cannot be no encroachment. But the City has issued an order for the structure to be demolished.”</i> The petition was further tabled on the hearing held on the 29th of November 2020 and the city was not in attendance.</p>
<p>5. MPL Peach W</p>	<p>Incorrect Billing of Water & Electricity: Jeppestown PP04C/10/19/LO</p>	<p>The petitioner is Mr Mohsin Suliman, an adult male who resides at 8 Havenga Road, Homestead Park, Johannesburg, 2092. The petitioner alleges that he purchased a property (ERF 147) in Jeppestown and the transfer of property was done, and a Clearance Certificate was issued. Despite having obtained a Clearance Certificate (clearance reference no. 2200290369), the petitioner alleges that the rates and taxes owed by the previous owner of the property</p>	<p>The petition was referred to the City of Jo'burg Metropolitan Municipality for investigation and reporting and to the Portfolio Committee on CoGTA & Human Settlements for</p>	<p>The petition was tabled on the hearing held on the 29th of November 2020.</p> <p>A meeting was convened with the</p>

		<p>were transferred into their account. In addition, since 2015 he has been billed excessively for rates and taxes. The petitioner alleges that he reported the matter to Ombudsman. Following investigation, the Ombudsman uncovered that City Power incorrectly charged the petitioner for electricity whilst Johannesburg Water captured the incorrect meter on the account billed and inadvertently billed the petitioner incorrectly. To date, the petitioner alleges that the bill does not reflect accurate amounts; rather, the bill reflects the incorrect amount that he owes the municipality.</p>	<p>oversight on the 05th November 2019.</p>	<p>city, office of the ombudsman and the petitioner wherein the office of the ombudsman committed to resolve the matter, however the petitioner has expressed his discontent on how the City is dealing with his matter.</p>
<p>6. MPL Mofama M</p>	<p>RDP Houses: Jerusalem PP113D/02/12/LH</p>	<p>The petitioner is Ms Grace Lekaba on behalf of the community of Jerusalem in Roodepoort. The petitioners allege that they are currently staying in an informal settlement in Jerusalem. They also allege that they have engaged with the local councillor Mr Daves about the development of the area with no success. The petitioners also allege that members of the community have registered for RDP houses in 1999.</p>	<p>The petition was referred to the Department of COGTA & Human Settlement for investigation and reporting.</p> <p>The petition was tabled at the external petitions hearing held in Dobsonville (8-9 February 2013).</p> <p>The petition was tabled at a hearing of the 10th March 2015, and in Slovoville (28 March 2015). The department indicated that Jerusalem is part of the new housing development at Rand Lease. Petitioners should submit a list</p>	<p>Awaiting Report.</p> <p>The petition was tabled at the petition's week, in March 2018, the CoJ was not present.</p> <p>A meeting was convened with the City of Johannesburg, department of human settlement wherein the city committed that they would</p>

			<p>of the stand's occupants together with the CoJ.</p> <p>The department and City of Johannesburg convened a meeting with the petitioners on the 08 April 2015 to consolidate the beneficiary list.</p>	<p>conduct an audit of the 400-beneficiary list.</p> <p>Follow-ups with both the city and the department where made, to date no progress report received.</p>
<p>7. MPL Mofama M</p>	<p>Lack of Development: Dark city/Poortjie PP43D/03/16/LO</p>	<p>The petitioner is Mr. James Lefume, an adult male residing at 286 Poortjie Location, Dark city, Lenasia, Roodepoort, submitting this petition on behalf of the community of Dark city, Poortjie.</p> <p>The petitioner alleges that there is lack of development in their area such as sports facilities and Roads.</p> <p>He further alleges that they informed the Ward Councilor about the matter, but they are still waiting.</p>	<p>The Petition was referred to City of Johannesburg for investigation and reporting, and to the Portfolio Committee on CoGTA & Human Settlements for oversight on the 17th March 2016.</p> <p>The petition was tabled at a hearing of the 03rd March 2017.</p> <p>Subsequent to that, a public meeting was convened on the 08th July 2017.</p>	<p>Awaiting Report</p>
<p>8. MPL Schneeman G</p>	<p>Allocation of RDP House: Turffontein (SC Lesufi)</p> <p>PP68D/03/20/LO-HS</p>	<p>The petitioner is Christopher Sekaloko Lesufi, an adult male who resides at 58 Bertha Street, Turffontein, Johannesburg, 2190. The petitioner alleges that he applied for an RDP House in 2003 and to date he has not been allocated an RDP House. He states that he is a single parent raising two (2) children and is currently unemployed</p>	<p>The petition was referred to City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality and the Gauteng Department of CoGTA & Human Settlements for investigation and reporting, and to the Portfolio Committee on CoGTA & Human</p>	<p>Awaiting report</p>

			Settlements for oversight on the 16 th March 2020.	
<p>9. Chairperson Letsoalo BE</p>	<p>Proclamation of Worshiping site: Stand No 15744 Orange farm Ext 4</p> <p>PP23D/03/15/LO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The petitioner Mr Ndoda Gwabeni, an adult female, writing on behalf of Zion Christian Church (ZCC) in Orange Farm. • The petitioner alleges to have a challenge with regard to a site where they congregate and the stand No. 15744 Ext. 4 Orange Farm. • The petitioner alleges that they have been congregating in the said site for the past 24 years but they do not have rightful ownership of the land. • The petitioner seeks assistance to have ownership of the site where they worship. • The petitioner claims to have sought help from Joburg Property Company (PROPCOM) and they were told that PROPCOM does not deal with land that belongs to the province and afterwards they were referred to the province. Subsequently the province referred them to the City of Joburg and the City of Joburg referred them to Department of Infrastructure and Urban Planning. They spoke with Jacob Mamabolo and they gave him documents but they were not afforded any help. Human Settlements and City of Joburg but did not receive any support. 	<p>The petition was referred, to the City of Jo'burg for investigation and reporting and to the Portfolio Committee on COGTA and Human Settlement for oversight, on the 05th April 2015.</p> <p>The Petition was tabled in the hearing held on the 01st of March 2016.</p> <p><u>During the hearing:</u> The Committee resolved that the petition should be escalated to the Departments of Infrastructure Development, and CoGTA & Human Settlements for further processing and reporting, noting the outcome that the land parcel belong to GPG, as reported by Cllr Tshabalala and confirmed by the petitioners.</p>	<p>The municipality is expected to provide its position on the matter through a written response given that numerous requests for such have not been responded to.</p>

			It was further noted that the land parcel is zoned for public usage.	
10.	Encroachment: Lenasia PP32D/03/21/LO	The petitioner is Ms. Nancy Makamo, an adult female who resides at 11263 Mendi Street, Ext.13, Lenasia. She alleges that her neighbour who resides at 11264 encroached parts of her land by building a wall which has closed her driveway. She also alleges that she tried to negotiate with him on the matter, but he is not coming on board which has started affecting her quality of life. She therefore requests the Legislature to assist in facilitating the process of having the wall demolished as the municipality has not assisted her thus far.	The petition was referred to the City of Jo'burg for investigation and reporting and to the Portfolio Committee on COGTA and Human Settlement for oversight, on the 08th March 2021 . A follow-up was made on the 13th April 2021 .	Awaiting response