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MEMORANDUM



The Petitions Standing Committee Proposed Closure of Petitions – 7 August 2025

The Petitions Standing Committee has resolved to close several petitions, as listed.

These petitions were subjected to fair and thorough assessments, including administrative reviews, joint oversight visits, and internal hearings with the relevant authorities and departments. The matters raised have been fully addressed in accordance with the Petitions Act and its regulations, and no further action is deemed necessary.

Formal communication will be sent to the Petitioners, who retain the right to appeal the closure decision to the Petitions Standing Committee.













No.	Title & Registration	Summary of Petition	Basis For Closure
1.	Delays & Lack of Consultation in the Construction of Naledi Clinic PP01B/08/24/LO PP02B/08/24/LO Petition Closed	The petitioner is Mr. William Ndebele, an adult male residing at 1045 Molemole Street, Naledi Extension, Kwa Xuma, submitting this petition on behalf of the residents of Naledi, Naledi Extension 2 and Protea North. The petitioner alleges that there is a lack of effective communication and consultation in the construction of the clinic in Naledi. The petitioner alleges that he had submitted a complaint to the City of Johannesburg requesting the construction of a clinic at 127 Street, Naledi. He states that this was underscored by the disturbing reality that patients from Naledi are turned away from the Mobile Clinic situated at Naledi Extension 2 and are informed to proceed to Tladi Clinic rather than being assisted locally. The petitioner alleges that his request for building of a clinic in Naledi was granted. In 2017, the Regional Offices of the City advised him to go to their offices with the Ward Councillor of their community to sign off the approval of the petition. He also provided the Councillor of Ward 14 with a copy of the petition he had submitted to the city. As per his account in April 2019, he went with the then Councillor to the Municipal Offices and Johannesburg Development Agency (JDA). The JDA furnished the Councillor with the plans for the clinic. However, since the Councillor received the plans, the Councillor has not contacted him to date. He also alleges that on 19 August 2019, he had a meeting with the Director of District Health Services, Ms. Jabu Rakosa, and the Deputy District Director Ms. Busiswe Phiri, who provided him feedback on the status of the petition. Subsequently, on 26 August, the Regional Health District furnished Ms. Rakosa with plans for the clinic, confirming that the plan was for site 1272. However, the petitioner states that when he went on-site, he was not allowed access by the Site Manager. The petitioner alleges that the Community Liaison Officer (CLO) informed him to return the	The department submitted report with an annexure from the city of Johannesburg responding to the petition. The city's response indicated that the delays were as a result of several factors, such as approvals (Environmental Studies, Water Licence [WULA], Site Development Plans, and poor workmanship which resulted in demolitions and escalated costs. The project was earmarked to be completed by the 16th of November 2024. The report was shared with the petitioner on the 14th of November 2024 who rather opted to focus on the lack of consultation matter, indicating that he is being sidelined by the Councillor after all his efforts and time to initiate the petition for the building of the clinic.





following Monday and ask for Robert, but when she did, Robert was not present. The conduct of the CLO and the Ward Councillor glaringly demonstrates a lack of consultation with the community on the plans to build the clinic and update on the construction project and the expected date of completion. The lack of public, he states contravenes the Municipal Systems Act which stipulates the importance of ensuring the views of residents and stakeholders are considered. This encompasses public meetings, notices, and opportunities for written comments. The petitioner implores the Gauteng Provincial Legislature to investigate the lack of consultation and follow-up on the approved petition for the construction of a clinic at 127 Street, Naledi.

2. Illegal Shops: Etwatwa (Ward 66) PP166C/11/23/LO-HE

The Petition has been closed in principle. It has been sent for noting to the Economic Development and Cogta Portfolio Committees to deal with Oversight and Monitorina.

The petitioner is Mr. Wonder Choma, an adult male who resides at 9022 Bul-Bul Street, Ext.09, Etwatwa, submitting this petition on behalf of the residents of Ward 66, Etwatwa. The petitioner alleges that there are numerous foreign owned and rented shops in their area which do not comply to the safety and regulations standards of South Africa. He further alleges that he suspects that some do not have trading and health certificates and the majority have illegal sewerage connections at the shops which they also utilise as bedrooms. He therefore requests for the intervention of the Legislature in ensuring that safety and health officers from the municipality investigate these shops and inspect the premises to ascertain his findings. Furthermore, he requests that these inspections be conducted in the presence of community leaders to avoid bribes and cautions the safety officers that the said shop owners have guns.

The City of Ekurhuleni City Planning Department investigated twelve-(12) properties which revealed that there are shops operating on ten-(10) properties without proper Council approval thus contravening the city's Land Use Scheme of 2021. Of the ten-(10) properties, two-(02) are Council owned properties and the matter has been referred to Real Estate for further management.

A joint operation was conducted by Ekurhuleni Environmental Health Practitioners and other stakeholders on the 22^{2nd of} November 2024. The operation managed to inspect nine-(09) premises and issued five-(05) with legal non-compliance notices.

The report was shared with the petitioner on the 02nd of February 2024, and there hasn't been any feedback to date.



3. Appointment of Qualified Caterers: Thutopele Secondary PP04A/04/24/ED

Petition Closed

The petitioner is Ms. Maria Phala, an adult female who resides at 7897 Moleleki Extension 2, Katlehong. She alleges that the Food Handlers at Thutopele Secondary School do not comply with Food Safety and Quality Standards by preparing spoiled food, which contravenes the prescripts outlined in the Foodstuffs, Cosmetics, and Disinfectants Act No. 54 of 1972. She alleges that the catering staff stole 52 packs of canned fish and 5 packs of milk, which constitutes theft under the South African Criminal Law Act. She claims that the School Governing Body attempted to address this issue in accordance with Section 20 of the Schools Act No. 84 of 1996. As per her account, that the preparation and distribution of spoiled food present a health hazard to the students, violating their rights to a safe and healthy environment as stipulated in Section 24 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Act No. 108 of 1996, and further reinforced by the Health Act No. 61 of 2003.

The GDEYD reported that the district office had suspended the food handlers on the 22^{nd of} February 2023 for not complying with cooking standards and were subsequently subjected to a disciplinary hearing on the 01^{st of} March 2023, which led to the dismissal of the food handlers and the appointment of new food handlers on the 01^{st of} April 2023.

The department further indicated that the matter of hiring qualified caterers is not possible since the programme was initiated to alleviate poverty by training and employing parents to prepare food for learners in a safe and hygienic way.

With regards to the alleged theft that took place in 2022, the GDEYD raised a concern as to why the petitioner didn't report the matter as she had access and the means to report matter as a member of the SGB, but did not use the opportunity to do so at the time.

The report concludes by indicating that there seems to be a conflict of interest since the petitioner had once recommended that the school employ all female member of the SGB as food handlers, who'd be paid from the school coffers.



Lack of Consultation:
Thabotona Primary
Project
PP105C/10/24/LO-ID

Petition Closed

The petitioner is Mr. Sipho Ntimba, an adult male residing at 11429 Extension 7, Kwa Tembe Street, Palm Ridge who is a member of the Project Steering Committee, submitting the petition on behalf of the residents of Palm Ridge - over 300 residents supporting the petition. The petitioner asserts that the construction of Thabotona Primary School Ward 61 is beset with significant challenges including lack of consultation, and inclusion in the project. Consequently, the community of Palm Ridge is contemplating halting the project until these fundamental challenges are addressed. He states that the current classrooms used at Thabotona Primary School are containers made from corrugated iron, thus the Gautena Departments of Education and Infrastructure Development made an assessment that a new brick-and-mortar school must be constructed. He states that although the construction of the school is currently at the foundation phase, the community of Ward 61 was not consulted before the project commenced, nor was it provided with updates on the status of the project. He alleges that as a Member of the Project Steering Committee that was selected by the community to assist with the facilitation of processes and information, he is not empowered to provide the community with the details of the project because the necessary information has not been forthcoming. As per his account, the Community Liaison Officer (CLO) has failed to convene engagements in the form of community meetings, nor has the CLO provided the community with information on the scope of the project and timelines of the project and project appointment processes. He states that the lack of consultation and information on the Thabotona Primary School construction project is a glaring contravention of the provisions of Sections 16 and 17 of the Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No. 32 of 2000) which mandates municipalities to develop and ensure

During a joint oversight visit by the Education Portfolio Committee and the Petitions Standing Committee, the allegations of lack of consultation and inclusion were dispelled by the Councillor, Project Steering Committee and members of the community. The contractor also confirmed that meetings are held regularly in consultation with the Councillor. The petitioner was present and agreed to the closure of the petitions as there was no substance to the allegations.



		community participation in planning and decision-making process.		
5.	Request for Title Deed PP98C/10/24/LO-HS Petition Closed	The petitioner is Mr. Victor Nzima an adult male who reside at 11 Malta road Naturena. He alleges that in 2001 bought a property ERF 5456 at Emndeni from Mr Mbatha which was later registered at the deeds office (TL 13330/2002) on 06 March 2002. The registration was done by Snyman INC Attorneys who were appointed by the department of human settlement. He indicates that over time he visited the deeds office wherein he was informed that the house now been registered under the City of Johannesburg. Previous deeds search indicate that the house is registered under his name, however a titled deed was not issued under his name.		
6.	RDP House Application: Andries Makhanya PP23C/11/22/LO-HS Petition Closed	The petitioner is Mr. Andries Makhanya, a 57-year-old male who resides at 246 Mfihlweni Section, Mhlambi Section, Tembisa. The petitioner alleges that he applied for an RDP House in 2004 and, to date, he has not yet been allocated a house. He also alleges that when he enquired about the status of his application at the housing offices, he was informed of the status of his application and not advised on the actual date when he would be allocated an RDP house.	The City of Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality submitted a report indicating that the petitioner appears on the National Housing Needs Register (NHNR) to have registered on the 3rd of January 2024. The Housing Subsidy System (HSS) confirms that the petitioner was approved in Kwazulu Natal for Rural Project Linked Subsidy (RPLS) with Site No. F087. This explains that Mr Makhanya will never be approved and/or benefit in Gauteng as he has been approved in Kwazulu Natal as he cannot benefit twice.	
7.	Allocation of RDP House: Dorothy Bengani PP19C/11/21/LO- HS Petition Closed	The petitioner is Ms. Dorothy Bengani, who is a 71-year-old female, residing at 1523 Phatlane Street, Dobsonville, Johannesburg. The petitioner alleges that she applied for an RDP house in 2003 but has to date not been allocated a house. She further alleges that she informed the municipality about the matter but is still waiting.	The petitioner has confirmed receipt of the house.	



8.	RDP House Application: Masabata Thulo PP36A/06/23/LO-HS Petition Closed	The petitioner is Ms. Masabata Thulo, a 32-year female who resides 892 Drieziek 4, Orange Farm. She alleges that she applied for an RDP House in 2017, however she was not allocated a house. She states that she has long been on the waiting list and requests to be allocated a house.	The Department of Human Settlements submitted a report indicating that the petitioner will be contacted to complete a subsidy application form so she can be allocated a house in the future. The petition will be forwarded to the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements for oversight.
9.	RDP House Application: Monica Nombulelo Mashaba PP12D/02/23/LO-HS Petition Closed	The petitioner is Ms. Monica Nombulelo Mashaba, a 53-year adult female who resides at 460/149 Enxiweni Section, Tembisa The petitioner alleges that she applied for an RDP house in 1999 and to date she has not been allocated a house. She alleges that she is currently renting a house with her grandchildren, and she is finding it difficult to make ends meet, and she desperately needs a house.	The Department of Human Settlements submitted a report indicating that the petitioner will be contacted to complete a subsidy application form so she can be allocated a house in the future. The petition will be forwarded to the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements for oversight.
10.	RDP House Application: Philisiwe Monicah Mbucane PP35B/09/23/LO-HS Petition Closed	The Petitioner is Ms. Philisiwe Monicah Mbucane, a 41-year-old female who resides at 460/32 Nxiweni Section, Tembisa. The Petitioner alleges that she applied for an RDP House in 2021 and has still not been allocated a house. She further alleges that she enquired about the matter with the municipality however, she is still waiting to be allocated a house.	The Department of Human Settlements submitted a report indicating that the petitioner will be contacted to complete a subsidy application form so she can be allocated a house in the future. The petition will be forwarded to the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements for oversight.
11.	RDP House Application: Nthabiseng Francina Tsotetsi PP06D/02/22/LO-HS Petition closed	The petitioner is Ms. Nthabiseng Tsotesti, a 40-year adult female who resides at 10711 Phahamang Street, Extension 1, Tsakane, 1550. The petitioner alleges that she applied for an RDP in 2012; however, she has not been allocated a house to date. She states that her children never had the opportunity to own a home. She states that she has long been renting, and it is difficult for her to pay rent, groceries, and have transport money. She	The Department of Human Settlements submitted a report indicating that the petitioner will be contacted to complete a subsidy application form so she can be allocated a house in the future. The petition will be forwarded to the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements for oversight.



		furthermore expressed that having a home will bring stability to her family.	
12.	Misallocation of RDP House: Malieketseng Lukia Masondo PP20B/08/23/LO-HS Petition Closed	The petitioner is Ms. Malieketseng Lukia Masondo, a 45-year adult female who resides at 237 Sivane Section, Tembisa. The petitioner alleges that she applied for an RDP House in 1996 and she has not been allocated a house to date. She alleges that the Department committed to fast-track the allocation of 1996-1999 applicants. She states that sheer kleptocracy in the Department of Human Settlements is the reason she has not been allocated a house. She requests for the Gauteng Provincial Legislature to intervene and fast-tracking the dispensation of her house.	The Department of Human Settlements submitted a report indicating that Ms. Masondo's identity number 740323 1245 084 was verified against the two applicable systems: National Housing Needs Register (NHNR) & Housing Subsidy System (HSS). The results indicated that Ms Masondo was registered on the NHNR on 11 November 1996 but does not appear on the HSS. Her application for a housing subsidy in 2020 at Clayville Ext.45 housing project was declined due to high salary earnings. In view of the above, she qualifies for Rapid Land Release Programme (RLRP). Accordingly, Ms Masondo is advised to wait for the availability of RLRP in her area and, that the Department will contact her to come & complete subsidy forms as and when a housing project is ready for allocation in her area. The petition will be forwarded to the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements for oversight.
13.	Misallocation of RDP House: Theresa Khumalo PP28D/03/23/LO-HS Petition Closed	The petitioner is Ms. Theresa Khumalo, who is a 51-year-old female, residing at 226 Jiyane Section, Tembisa. The petitioner alleges that she applied for an RDP house in 2008, and when she enquired at the municipal housing offices, she discovered that her house was misallocated to someone else. She states that she is perturbed that it has been 15 years since she has been waiting for a house, only for her house to be misallocated. She alleges that she is currently staying at her parents' house with her children and grandchildren and is pleading to be considered during the allocation of a house.	The Department of Human Settlements submitted a report indicating that the petitioner will be contacted to complete a subsidy application form so she can be allocated a house in the future. The petition will be forwarded to the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements for oversight.



14.	RDP	House	
	Application:	Fikile	
	Kennegie Thob	oho	
	PP08B/08/23/L	Application: Fikile Kennegie Thobho PP08B/08/23/LO-HS	

Petition Closed

The petitioner is Mr. Fikile Thobho, a 47-year adult male who resides at 460/103 Nxiweni Section, Tembisa. The petitioner alleges that he applied for an RDP house in 2008 and to date he has not been allocated a house. He alleges that he is currently unemployed and urgently needs a house as he has been waiting for a long time.

The Department of Human Settlements submitted a report indicating that the petitioner will be contacted to complete a subsidy application form so she can be allocated a house in the future. The petition will be forwarded to the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements for oversight.