

Councillor Support Model and Systems in Mangaung Metro

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Overview of Mangaung

- Mangaung has a population of about 850 000 people.
- We are made up of the city of Bloemfontein, the small towns of Botshabelo, Thaba Nchu, Wepener, Dewetsdorp, Van Stadensrus and Soutpan.
- We have 100 Councillors, i.e. 50 Wards and 50 PR.
- There are 7 political parties, i.e. ANC, DA, EFF, COPE, FF+, ANA and AIC.
- We are a mayoral executive with ward participatory system.

Governance model

- The Municipality has 3 political offices, i.e.
 - Office of the Executive Mayor and Deputy Executive Mayor.
 - Office of the Speaker.
 - Chief Whip Office.
- We have 10 Section 80 Committees.
- We have 5 Section 79 Committees.
- We have a total of 18 full-time Councillors and the rest are part-time.

Governance model (2)

- We have established the following Section 80 Committees.
 - Finance, IDP and Performance Management.
 - Infrastructure and Public Works.
 - SMME and Rural Development.
 - Spatial Planning and Land Use Management.
 - Community and Social Services.
 - Transport and Public Safety.
 - Human Settlement.
 - Corporate Services.
 - Environmental Management.
 - Rural Development.

Governance model (3)

- We have established the following Section 79 Committees.
 - Municipal Public Account Committee (MPAC).
 - Standing Rules Committee.
 - Remunerations and Benefits.
 - Geographical and Street Naming.
 - Motions and Petitions.

Councillor Operational Support

- Councillor support function is located in the Office of the Speaker.
- Office of Speaker has a Councillor Support Section to provide general support and to attend to individual needs of Councillors including their welfare and related support to Councillors.
- These are:
 - Manager Councillor Support.
 - Co-ordinator Councillor Support X 5.

Councillor Operational Support (2)

- We have Research Section to help all Councillors with research and related functions. We have;
 - Researcher/Speech Writer X 1.
 - Researcher X 2.
- We have Public Participation Section responsible for support to Ward Councillors to perform their community duties. We have;
 - Manager Public Participation.
 - Public Participation Officer X 10.
 - Ward Committee Clerk X 20.
 - CDW Manager and CDW Co-ordinator.

Tools of trade and support

- Council provide all tools of trade in terms of the Determination of Upper Limits of Salaries, Allowances and Benefits of Members of Municipal Councils.
- All Councillors, i.e. full-time and part-time Councillors are provided with the tools of trade.
- All full-time Councillors operate from Municipal offices at the head office.
- Most of the part-time Councillors are allocated offices in Municipal buildings in their wards.
- There are dedicated offices for use by all Councillors in each Regional office.

Tools of trade and support (3)

- Support to Executive Mayor:
 - Office space at head office.
 - Office support staff.
 - Provision of official vehicle and drivers.
 - VIP protection service and at home.
 - Dedicated vehicles for the office.
 - Dedicated budget for the office.

Tools of trade and support (3)

- Support to the Speaker:
 - Office space at head office.
 - Office support staff.
 - Provision of official vehicle and drivers.
 - VIP protection service and at home.
 - Dedicated vehicles for the office.
 - Dedicated budget for the office.

Tools of trade and support (4)

- Support to the Deputy Executive Mayor:
 - Office space at head office.
 - Office support staff.
 - Provision of official vehicle.
 - Dedicated vehicles for the office
 - VIP protection service.
 - Dedicated budget for the office.

Tools of trade and support (5)

- Support to the Chief Whip:
 - Office space at head office.
 - Office support staff.
 - Dedicated vehicles for the office.
 - Dedicated budget for the office.

Tools of trade and support (6)

- Support to the MPAC Chairperson:
 - Office space at head office.
 - Office support staff.
 - Dedicated vehicles for the office.
 - Personal protection service and at home.
 - Dedicated budget for the office.
- Support to Chairpersons of Section 79 Committees:
 - Office space at the head office.
 - Dedicated staff of Manager: Section 79 Manager; Section 79 Co-ordinator X 2 and Section Senior Clerks X 2.

Thank You